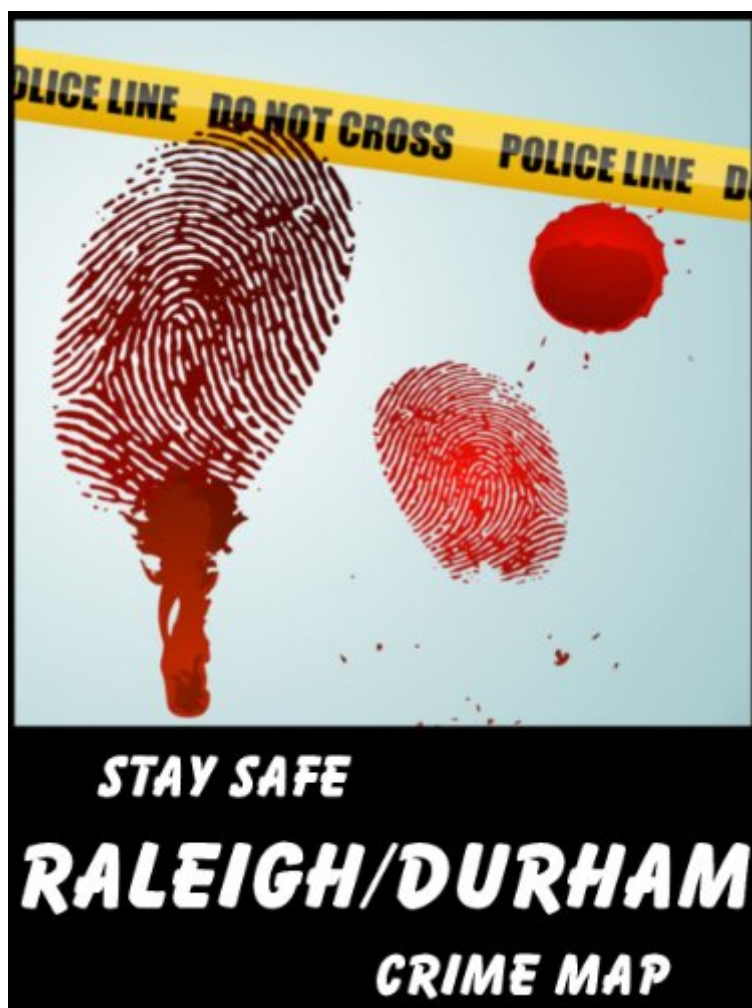


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# Stay Safe Crime Map Of Raleigh & Durham



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I was asked to look over this new concept in applications; it's a neat idea. Easy to download as a book is, really acts no differently either. You get a contents or index page, as well as an image

breaking the listed City(s) into sections, giving you 'chapter' numbers to go to for a given section. I've not lived in the Raleigh/Durham area, so I can't comment on the accuracy of the maps, nor their ability to warn you of 'risky' areas. But I will say that this concept is better used on a Fire, or any other large screened device, and color helps. The maps are perfectly legible on a regular kindle, but a bit too hard to read and understand to my 50yr old eyes, however on the 'Fire' it becomes quite easy to work with. I'd give 5+ stars to both the concept and the execution, as well as to the general safety info given. But on a regular Kindle, in my honest opinion it isn't easy enough on the eyes to have any great value. It is much better on the Fire, but a bigger still screen would be better! If this were an application for a computer, or even a 'netbook', it would get the five stars, but based on the devices it is listed for here on , I must only give it four stars. Perhaps with younger eyes it would provide a greater value on these devices?

Have you ever planned a trip to a city and looked for a place to stay, a restaurant or attractions to enjoy and wondered "Is it safe?" If you are like me you have and, until Michael Gard's "Stay Safe Crime Map" series we had to rely on friends in the area or just luck. I know that it took a friend in Washington to save me from a hotel in what seemed like a good location but was not, but what if you are traveling to an area where you have no friends? The answer is the Stay Safe Crime Map. This product consists of maps of Raleigh & Durham on which the high crime areas are covered by cross-hatching. At a glance you can tell where to go and where avoid. Download this on your tablet or phone before the trip and consult it as you drive. The other feature of the Stay Safe is a set of generic, common sense safety rules that most could figure out on their own but for which periodic reminders are always helpful. If you are going into a city for which Michael Gard offers a Stay Safe Crime Map, download it. For the price it is the best insurance policy you can get! I did receive a free copy of this for review.

This is a short Kindle book consisting mostly of maps. In this edition, as evinced by its title, it concerns itself with Raleigh / Durham, NC. The maps have cross hatched areas showing areas the author says his researching has demonstrated to have higher crime frequency and therefore, imply it'd be less safe to be a tourist there. Gard is careful to say, in the introduction, that the areas he's shown are high crime isn't necessarily places which are 'ghettos' as he puts it, but some are areas where other factors lead it to be higher crime spots. Does it really take much convincing that if you are on vacation, you don't wish to inadvertently stumble into an area where you have a high chance of being robbed, assaulted or whatever? Of course not. While this volume can hardly be counted on

to make sure you will remain safe, it can tip the odds, if not in your favor, at least so they don't tip against you. You get a good deal peace of mind for the price of \$3. Now are these crime data available for free? Well, yes, in a way. There are sources online you can access crime frequency in metro areas and probably if you put your mind to it, you could duplicate what the author has done here. Yet why would you? It'd take a good deal of effort and then you'd have to make the map and jam it somehow into your Kindle or Kindle app. Whoopee. You'd save all of \$3. Don't you have better things to do with your life? I do. The book starts with a brief intro and then moves to a Table of Contents which are links to area maps or keys to map areas. It's easy and obvious to hyperlink from the ToC to a map or back to the ToC from a map. The book finishes up with some well worn suggestions on how to keep safe. This is the one area of the book I think lacking. Well, most of the advice such as stick to main roadways especially at night and keep your windows up is pretty obvious. I found myself really gritting my teeth on the advice to yield to criminals instead of resisting. If more of us non-criminal resisted, there would be a good deal less crime. Why should a mugger hesitate in his mugging if all his victims treat him like he's due a 'gimmee'? Let me say outright that if you are a woman and are facing being dragged off the street and into a dark alley by a would be rapist, do not yield. Fight, scream, kick, gouge eyes - do whatever it takes to attract attention and discourage your attacker. Even the worst areas of towns are mostly populated by decent folks who may come to your aid. One very good piece of advice is to listen to your instincts. I'll add that in addition to this book series, I recommend "The Gift of Fear" The Gift of Fear and Other Survival Signals that Protect Us From Violence

I don't have time to read books not going straight to the point. I loved this book! I used myself many of those techniques in a big city in Brazil and I avoided many times someone coming to attack me. Many other suggestions here are new to me. So I learned with this book. I will handle to my daughter too.

was unable to view on computer, kindle fire or pad effectively enough to determine streets. I wouldn't recommend electronic version.

STAY SAFE CRIME MAPS, designed and published by Michael Gard is a great application to have on your Kindle, iPad, iPhone etc., for when travelling. There are digital guides and colored maps for three dozen major cities available from the creator of Stay Safe Crime Maps, which pinpoints the most dangerous sections of these cities. In addition, the author has great advice and tips on what to

do while travelling; If you attacked, If you think you are being followed, What to carry while touring, Safety tips while at your hotel and others. In every major city, there are shady places we should avoid, especially if we are not use to the city. When you're packing for a trip, you really should include these guides.~ True Crime Author, RJ Parker

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