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Editorial Review

Review

Marcus Binney's tour around old castles is quirky but rewarding while Brian Sewell demolishes the artistic credibility of the founder of Zagreb's newest museum with characteristic aplomb. From paintings to architecture, Croatia's well-illustrated riches in opinionated English.

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