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Under A Croatian Sun: From Grey Britain To A Sunny Isle: One Couple's Dream Comes True



Synopsis

^Looking for a good holiday read try Under a Croatian Sun. A story about cultural difference and acceptance. For fans of Driving Over Lemons, Under a Tuscan Sun and A Year in Provence, this is a funny, heart-warming holiday read for people of all ages.™ Mature Times^A charming true story of a couple who move from London to a rustic Croatian island.™Choice magazine^A good read.™Tariq AliA London art dealer and his wife, tired of the stress and turmoil of metropolitan life, discover the idyllic island of Vis.Impulsively they sell their home and business, say farewell to their adult children and move to the island, but being the first foreigners to live on the island, the close-knit community is highly suspicious of them.The book charts their attempts to gain acceptance and the many rebuffs that they suffer. Their efforts often land them in very awkward (and sometimes hilarious) situations, but they persist and find themselves caught up in the bitter rivalries, love affairs and family dramas of the village.Through this they learn a lot about the islanders^ attitude to marriage, morality, health and death, and the effect that communism has had on everyone^s lives.

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Customer Reviews

What does it take to live in a village? Does it take friendliness, patience, and a can-do attitude? Or does it take tenacity and luck? Anthony British-With-a-Stiff-Upper-Lip Stancomb and his Croatian wife, Ivana, decide to leave their London life for an island in the Adriatic. Living in an English village would have been hard enough, but the draw of sun and sea called them to a much bigger adventure. I enjoyed reading about their six-month struggle to belong. UNDER A CROATIAN SUN is a good tutorial laced with humor and insight of how cultural differences can be adapted and embraced. As an American, I struggled to understand Anthony's joy and despair with creating the island's new cricket team. Perhaps in the future there could be more effort to help us understand the cultural differences presented with this popular British game.

After reading Chasing a croatian girl, this book didn't excite me the way the other one did. Still, interesting read, great descriptions but a bit slow.

Good book although maybe not what I expected. It seemed like the author moved for pleasure but was always looking to start up a business or at least a heavy hobby.

As a native Croatian living in the US for the past 30 years, I was looking fwd to the shared perspective, but this book is poorly written. The author didn't even bother to spell the people's names correctly (Domigoy should have been DomAgoj or DomAgoY for pronunciation purposes). Those annoying little instances aside, I guess only an Englishman would think that writing about cricket game for pages at the time would be interesting...Otherwise, I did appreciate the self-deprecating and funny (at times) style, but it's obvious that there was no editing done before this was published.

Inspirational

A very interesting read.

Loved it!

A great story about post 1991 social life and situations. A must for those with connections to the Island of Vis. David Felando

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