

A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller


By Frances Mayes




A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes

A CLASSIC FROM THE *NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF *UNDER MAGNOLIA*

A Year in the World is vintage Frances Mayes—a celebration of the allure of travel, of serendipitous pleasures found in unlikely locales, of memory woven into the present, and of a joyous sense of quest. With her beloved Tuscany as a home base, Mayes travels to Spain, Portugal, France, the British Isles, and to the Mediterranean world of Turkey, Greece, the South of Italy, and North Africa. Weaving together personal perceptions and informed commentary on art, architecture, history, landscape, and social and culinary traditions, Mayes brings the immediacy of life in her temporary homes to readers. An illuminating and passionate book that will be savored by all who loved *Under the Tuscan Sun*, *A Year in the World* is travel writing at its peak.

 [Download A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Trav ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Tr ...pdf](#)

A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller

By Frances Mayes

A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes

A CLASSIC FROM THE *NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF *UNDER MAGNOLIA*

A Year in the World is vintage Frances Mayes—a celebration of the allure of travel, of serendipitous pleasures found in unlikely locales, of memory woven into the present, and of a joyous sense of quest. With her beloved Tuscany as a home base, Mayes travels to Spain, Portugal, France, the British Isles, and to the Mediterranean world of Turkey, Greece, the South of Italy, and North Africa. Weaving together personal perceptions and informed commentary on art, architecture, history, landscape, and social and culinary traditions, Mayes brings the immediacy of life in her temporary homes to readers. An illuminating and passionate book that will be savored by all who loved *Under the Tuscan Sun*, *A Year in the World* is travel writing at its peak.

A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #356895 in Books
- Brand: Mayes, Frances
- Published on: 2007-03-13
- Released on: 2007-03-13
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 7.99" h x .92" w x 5.16" l, .71 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 420 pages

 [Download A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Trav ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Tr ...pdf](#)

Download and Read Free Online A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes

Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

Even people who don't normally read travel books are aware of the old Italian villa that Mayes and her husband restored, chronicled in Mayes's bestseller *Under the Tuscan Sun* and three other books about Tuscany. So it's somewhat surprising when Mayes declares her wanderlust, her passion for other beautiful places in the world. She adores Tuscany, but also loves tasting other people's cuisines, learning their gardening habits, reading their poetry, swimming their waters. She's always looking around and wondering, "How do place and character intertwine? Could I feel at home here? What is home to those around me? Who are they in their homes, those mysterious others?" In this luminous volume, she and her husband visit southern Spain, Portugal, Sicily, southern Italy, Morocco, Greece, Crete, Scotland, Turkey and places in between. Usually they rent an apartment or villa, so they can cook, sprawl and feel like "locals." They survive a couple of package trips (a cruise around the Greek islands, a small charter around Turkey) which only highlight the pleasures of independent travel—having the freedom to wander and discover things for themselves, without a schedule. And happily, there's no mention of prices to mar readers' escapist fantasies. (Mar. 14)

Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

From [Booklist](#)

What Mayes accomplished in her popularization of Tuscany she now extends to a larger stage. Despite the title's claim, she does not reach everywhere on this orb, but she and her husband do manage a slow, deliberate itinerary taking them across much of Western Europe with a brief touchdown in Africa. Commencing with an excursion to Madrid in January, Mayes tours Spain down through Andalusia and the Costa del Sol. Portugal follows. By May, she returns to Italy, not to her beloved Tuscany, but first to Naples and then to Sicily. The couple spends time in Burgundy and Scotland before hopping back to Aegean lands. Wherever she goes, Mayes reflects at length on the cultural, historical, and literary highlights of the lands and peoples she visits. Mayes' touchstone in every locale is the region's cuisine. Her brief inventory of Portuguese soups alone could inspire a reexamination of that nation's cookery. Naples' pizza and cheese, Sicily's seafood, Crete's lamb, and Scotland's shortbread receive Mayes' encomiums. From time to time, Mayes even offers some recipes. Befitting her gifts as a poet, Mayes' prose shines with evocative imagery, bringing life to every subject she encounters across her peripatetic year. *Mark Knoblauch*
Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved

Review

"Those who want to find parts of themselves they didn't know existed, take risks, have an adventure . . . and discover another culture altogether, with its different rhythms, tastes, smells, and ways of being human—those readers will find in Mayes a kindly, eager, tough-spirited guide."

—*Houston Chronicle*

"Mayes is a master at capturing a solid sense of place through her lush, poetic narratives."

—*Orlando Sentinel*

"It's easy to understand why Mayes has become a kind of cult figure for seekers of The Good Life. She not only inspires us to seize the moment, sip the wine, and smell the roses, she also makes us feel it is quite possible to transform our lives, just as she did."

—*Lexington Herald-Leader*

“Mayes displays a gift for conveying everyday life through her writing . . . and presents a simpler, less frantic version of how to live one’s life.”

—*USA Today*

“Frances Mayes is, before all else, a wonderful writer.” —*Chicago Tribune*

“Armchair travel is rarely this astute and fun.”

—*Scripps-Howard News Service*

“Nobody is better than Frances Mayes at giving the sharp sensory details that take you immediately into a place: colors, sounds, smells, tastes...Her writing captures the whole experience...This is travel writing of high quality, focused on beauty.”

—*Cleveland Plain Dealer*

"Befitting her gifts as a poet, Mayes's prose shines with evocative imagery, bringing life to every subject she encounters across her peripatetic year."

-*Booklist*

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Eric Campanelli:

The book A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller can give more knowledge and also the precise product information about everything you want. Exactly why must we leave the good thing like a book A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller? Several of you have a different opinion about e-book. But one aim in which book can give many facts for us. It is absolutely right. Right now, try to closer with the book. Knowledge or info that you take for that, you could give for each other; you can share all of these. Book A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller has simple shape but the truth is know: it has great and big function for you. You can appear the enormous world by open up and read a reserve. So it is very wonderful.

Linda Pinkerton:

Here thing why this A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller are different and reputable to be yours. First of all reading a book is good nonetheless it depends in the content of it which is the content is as tasty as food or not. A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller giving you information deeper including different ways, you can find any e-book out there but there is no publication that similar with A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller. It gives you thrill examining journey, its open up your current eyes about the thing that will happened in the world which is perhaps can be happened around you. You can bring everywhere like in area, café, or even in your means home by train. For anyone who is having difficulties in bringing the imprinted book maybe the form of A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller in e-book can be your option.

Laurie Riley:

Hey guys, do you desire to find a new book to study? Maybe the book with the name A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller suitable to you? Typically the book was written by a well-known writer in this era. Often the book titled A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller is one of several books that everyone reads now. This book has inspired many people in the world. When you read this publication, you will enter a new shape that you never knew before. The author explained their plan in a simple way, therefore all people can easily recognize the core of this e-book. This book will give you a large amount of information about this world now. So you can see the representation of the world in this particular book.

Raymond Brown:

A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller can be one of your starter books that are a good idea. All of us recommend that straight away because this reserve has good vocabulary that can increase your knowledge in language, easy to understand, bit entertaining but still delivering the information. The author, giving his/her effort to put every word into enjoyment arrangement in writing A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller, however doesn't forget the main stage, giving the reader the hottest along with based confirm resource details that maybe you can be one of it. This great information can certainly draw you into a brand new stage of crucial pondering.

Download and Read Online A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes #CL91MH7ZDJV

Read A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes for online ebook

A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes books to read online.

Online A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes ebook PDF download

A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes Doc

A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes Mobipocket

A Year in the World: Journeys of A Passionate Traveller By Frances Mayes EPub