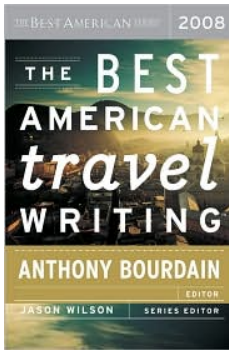




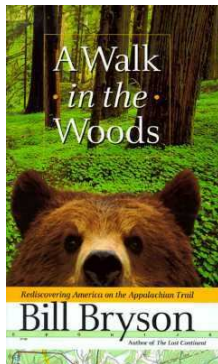
If you enjoyed Elizabeth Gilbert's novel [**Eat, Pray, Love**](#) try these titles featuring other adventures abroad.



[**The Best American Travel Writing**](#)

Here you will find Seth Stevenson's extraordinary experience of "Looking for Mammon in the Muslim World" as he makes his way through sweltering and paradoxical Dubai. Exotic tastes and larger-than-life personalities abound as Bill Buford accompanies the chocolate maker Frederick Schilling to the rain forests of Brazil. And on the other side of the world, Calvin Trillin trolls Singapore for the ultimate street food, while Kristin Ohlson delves into the harrowing challenges faced by proprietors of restaurants in Kabul, Afghanistan.

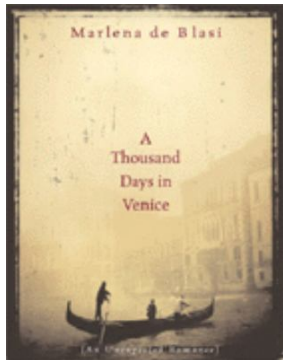
The twenty-five pieces in this collection have their fair share of the absurd as well. David Sedaris explains the hilarious highs and woeful lows of flying Business Elite. Gary Shteyngart goes "To Russia for Love" during St. Petersburg's vodka-soaked wedding season. And Emily Maloney gets up close and personal with her fellow travelers — and their massage devices — in a South American hostel.



[**A Walk in the Woods: Rediscovering America on the Appalachian Trail**](#)

By Bill Bryson

Stretching from Georgia to Maine, the Appalachian Trail offers some of America's most breathtaking scenery. After living for many years in England, Bill Bryson moved back to the United States and decided to reacquaint himself with his country by taking to this uninterrupted "hiker's highway." Before long, Bryson and his infamous walking companion, Stephen Katz, are stocking up on insulated long johns, noodles and manuals for avoiding bear attacks as they prepare to set off on a walk that is both amusingly ill-conceived and surprisingly adventurous.



[A Thousand Days in Venice: An Unexpected Romance](#)

By Marlena De Blasi

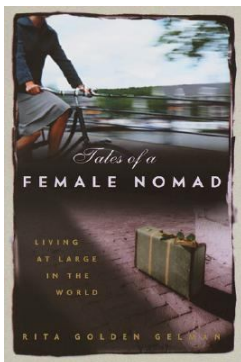
When Fernando spots her in a Venice café and knows immediately that she is the One, Marlena de Blasi is caught off guard. A divorced American woman traveling through Italy, she thought she was satisfied with her life. Yet within a few months, she quits her job as a chef, sells her house, kisses her two grown kids good-bye, and moves to Venice. As this transplanted American learns the hard way about the peculiarities of Venetian culture, we are treated to an honest, often comic view of how two middle-aged people, both set in their ways but also set on being together, build a life. A Thousand Days in Venice is filled with the foods and flavors of Italy and peppered with recipes and culinary observations. But the main course here is about a woman who falls in love with both a man and a city, and finally finds the home she didn't know she was missing. It's a deliciously satisfying meal.



[Take Big Bites: Adventures Around the World and Across the Table](#)

By Linda Ellerbee

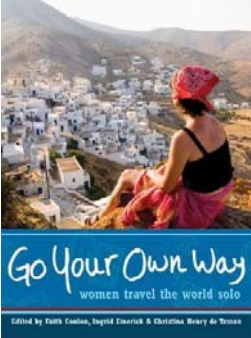
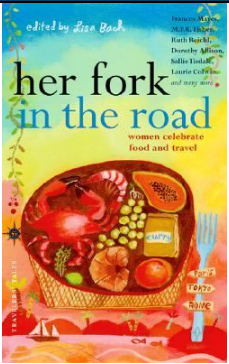
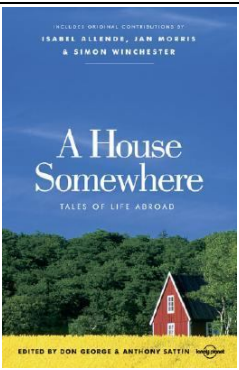
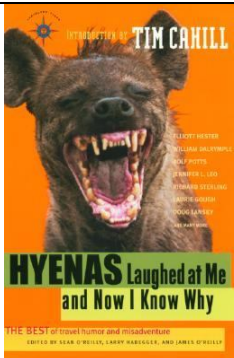
Ellerbee takes us both farther afield and closer to home in a memoir of travel, food, and personal (mis)adventure that brims with warmth, wit, uncommon honesty, inspired storytelling . . . and a few recipes as well. In Vietnam, preconceptions collide with the soup. . . . In France, lust flares with the pâté and dies with the dessert. . . . In Bolivia, a very young missionary finds her food flavored with hypocrisy . . . while at the bottom of the Grand Canyon an older woman discovers gorp is good, fear is your friend, and Thai chicken tastes best when you're soaked by rain and the Colorado River.

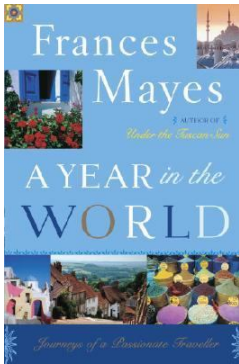


[Tales of a Female Nomad: Living at Large in the World](#)

By Rita Golden Gellman

There's more than one way to do life. Rita only dreamed of traveling to exotic places and experiencing other cultures. When her marriage failed, she decided to live her dream. She sold all her possessions and, at the age of forty-eight, took off to see the world. In Tales of a Female Nomad, Rita shares how she, an ordinary woman, has created a spectacular life, filled with interesting people, enlightening experiences, and fascinating adventures. More than a travel memoir, Tales of a Female Nomad is the story of a woman's rebirth. Rita Golden Gellman's real-life tale proves beyond a doubt that anyone can cast away the burdens of conventional life at any age and continue — or begin — to thrive.

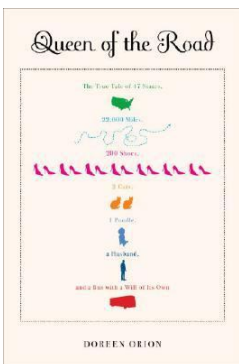
	<p><u>Go Your Own Way: Women Travel the World Solo</u></p> <p>There is nothing quite like hitting the road by yourself to awaken your senses, sharpen your mind, and build your confidence. In <i>Go Your Own Way</i>, twenty-three women who've traveled solo share their exhilarating stories—the daring adventures, the comical disasters, the cultural revelations, and the powerful, private aha! moments of self-discovery that can only come from being in a foreign place.</p>
	<p><u>Her Fork in the Road : Women Celebrate Food and Travel</u></p> <p>Several of today's top women writers contribute their adventures with food and travel in this collection of writings that celebrate women's relationship with food. Authors include M.F.K. Fisher, Ruth Reichl, Laurie Colwin, Frances Mayes, and others.</p>
	<p><u>A House Somewhere: Tales of Life Abroad</u></p> <p>We've all dreamt of escaping to a House Somewhere. In this collection some of the finest names in contemporary travel writing reveal the perils and pleasures of exchanging the familiar for the foreign. Isabel Allende discovers love and paradise in California, Pico Iyer finds home in Japan amidst the alien and indecipherable, and a dank barge on the Seine opens up a new side of Paris for Mort Rosenblum.</p>
	<p><u>Hyenas Laughed at Me and Now I Know Why: The Best of Travel Humor and Misadventure</u></p> <p>Fifth in a series of award-winning humor books from Travelers' Tales, "Hyenas Laughed at Me and Now I Know Why" gathers wide-ranging tales from hardy, hilarious, outrageous--and even reluctant--voyagers.</p>



[A Year in the World: Journeys of a Passionate Traveller](#)

By Frances Mayes

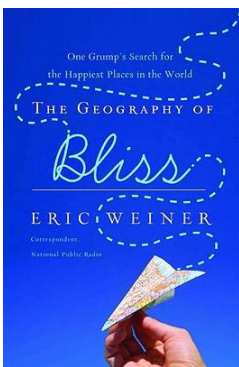
A Year in the World is vintage Frances Mayes—a celebration of the allure of travel, of serendipitous pleasures found in unlikely locales, of memory woven into the present, and of a joyous sense of quest. With her beloved Tuscany as a home base, Mayes travels to Spain, Portugal, France, the British Isles, 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 of each area, Mayes brings the immediacy of life in her temporary homes to the reader. 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.



[Queen of the Road: The True Tale of 47 States, 22,000 Miles, 200 Shoes, 2 Cats, 1 Poodle, a Husband, and a Bus with a Will of Its Own](#)

By Doreen Orion

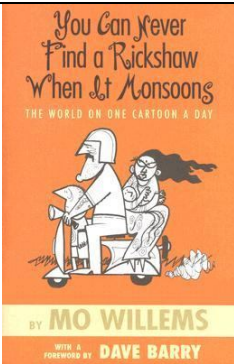
A pampered Long Island princess hits the road in a converted bus with her wilderness-loving husband, travels the country for one year, and brings it all hilariously to life in this offbeat and romantic memoir. Doreen and Tim are married psychiatrists with a twist: She's a self-proclaimed Long Island princess, grouchy couch potato, and shoe addict. He's an affable, though driven, outdoorsman. When Tim suggests "chucking it all" to travel cross-country in a converted bus, Doreen shocks them both, agreeing to set forth with their sixty-pound dog, two querulous cats—and no agenda—in a 340-square-foot bus. The marvelous places they visit and delightful people they encounter have a life-changing effect on all the travelers, as Doreen grows to appreciate the simple life, Tim mellows, and even the pets pull together.



[The Geography of Bliss: One Grump's Search for the Happiest Places in the World](#)

By Eric Weiner

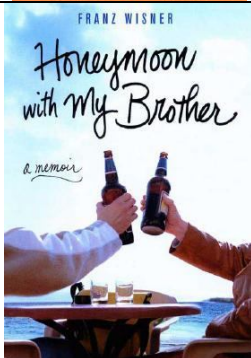
Part foreign affairs discourse, part humor, and part twisted self-help guide, The Geography of Bliss takes the reader from America to Iceland to India in search of happiness, or, in the crabby author's case, moments of "un-unhappiness." With engaging wit and surprising insights, Eric Weiner offers travelers of all moods some interesting new ideas for sunnier destinations and dispositions.



[You Can Never Find a Rickshaw When It Monsoons](#)

By Mo Willems

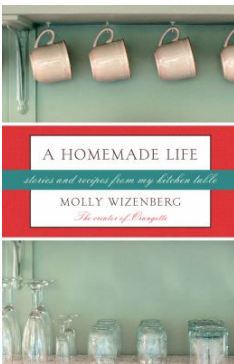
Depicting the renowned illustrator's yearlong trip around the world following his graduation from college, this annotated volume offers a unique snapshot of an artist's coming-of-age as he tries to understand the world around him.



[Honeymoon With My Brother: A Memoir](#)

By Franz Wisner

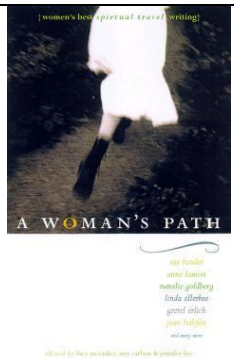
After being jilted by his fiancé, Wisner undertakes a remarkable journey to 60 countries, during which he turns his heartbreak into an opportunity to learn about himself, the world, and the brother he hardly knew.



[A Homemade Life: Stories and Recipes From My Kitchen Table](#)

By Molly Wizenberg

When Molly's father died of cancer, everyone told her to hold off on making any major decisions for a while. But when she tried returning to graduate school, she knew it wasn't possible to resume life as though nothing had happened. So she went to Paris, a city that held vivid memories of a childhood trip with her father. When she found herself one evening sitting in the Luxembourg Gardens reading cookbooks until it was too dark to see, she realized that her heart was not in her studies but in the kitchen. Like her long letters home describing the details of every meal and market, Molly's blog Orangette started out merely as a pleasant pastime. But it wasn't long before her writing and recipes developed an international following. Every week, devoted readers logged on to find out what Molly was cooking, eating, reading, and thinking.



[A Woman's Path: Women's Best Spiritual Travel Writing](#)

From New Mexico to Niger, India to Chechnya, the stories in this collection take an uncommon look at common themes -- letting go, opening up, finding inner peace. Some of the world's top writers explore the great and subtle ways travel awakens us. While many of these stories occur on the road, others lead the reader on an inward journey, equally ambitious, equally rewarding.