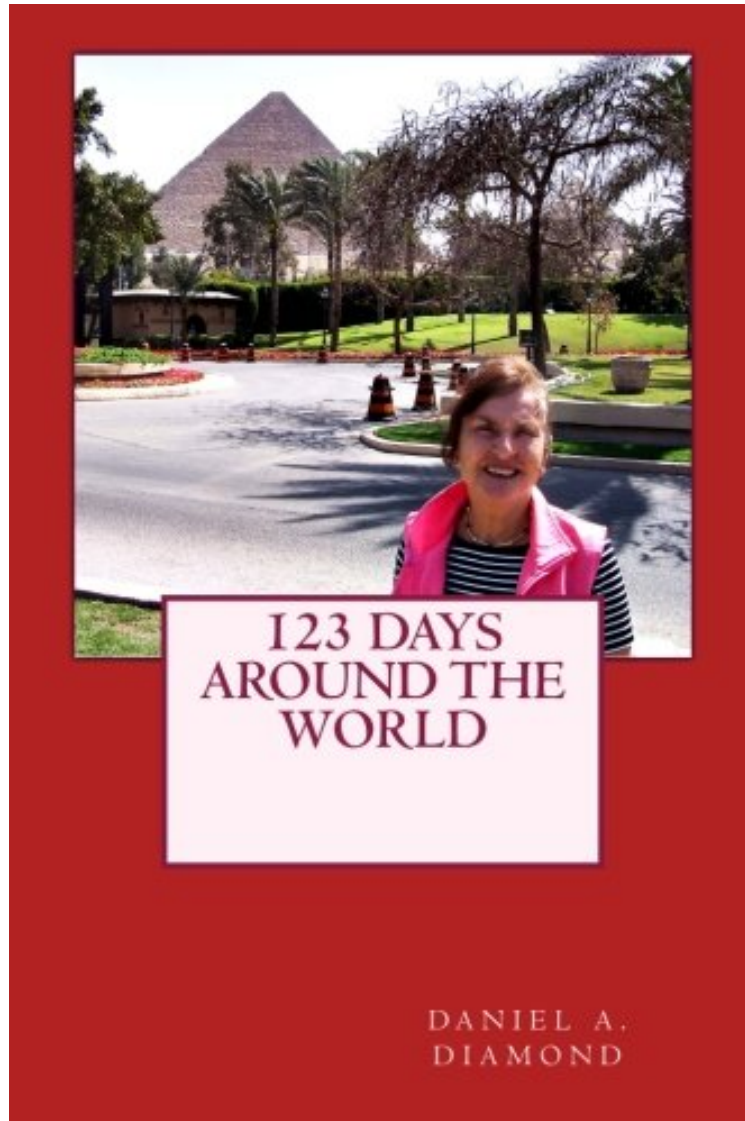


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Daniel A. Diamond : 123 Days around the World before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised 123 Days around the World:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Around the World Means What it Says, Not Half Way and BackBy KenI read the book in preparation for a round-the-world cruise of my own. I have to say this book was sophomoric, a compilation of wikipedia-lite history articles and constant whining about the world in general. I don't blame Mr. Diamond for using a pseudonym, I would not want my name associated with the opinions and behavior of the writer of

this book either. What amazed me is that the author and his wife while on this voyage seem to have discovered that bad things have happened in human history. I actually thought the writer was a college student from a sheltered background getting course credit until the mention of grandchildren. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. This book really annoyed me.....By Ross T This book was promoted as an around the world voyage, describing the ship, its travellers and the peoples that they encountered on the cruise and had several previous rave reviews already listed on. I can only summarize that those reviewers didn't actually read the book. The book has little in the way to enlighten readers as to the actual ship, daily routine and actual voyage other than what appeared to be a condescending dissertation against early colonial rule in most of the countries they visited. A continual theme that became more of a statement of the writer than the inhabitants of the countries they visited. In addition it has a number of glaring factual errors that should have been picked up by the most amateur of editors, it is full of basic spelling errors and the grammar used is not much better. Ships have Tenders, not Tendons, the Queen Elizabeth 2 was retired in 2008 and is laid up in Dubai and couldn't possibly have been doing a world cruise at the same time as they took this journey, the list of errors goes on. To top it off the last page refers to the writers name being a pseudonym for someone who has published more than a "dozen and a half" widely acclaimed books under his own name. I can only assume he had help writing them that sadly deserted him when he wrote this tome. 2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. A Hidden Treasure of Information By Yonah George What a most pleasant and enjoyable experience to read this short but lively book. Having already determined that a cruise was not for me, I put aside my thoughts and began the book. The episodes in Australia I found particularly alluring. The manner in which the best people were persecuted, predominantly by the British over the centuries and how the people miraculously come through and made their country better than England in many respects. Great people, like the Aborigines, were forced to assimilate the Christian systems and then became alcoholics, just like the native Americans. One thing I would deliberate over is that the British monarchy is redundant today as far as having any governmental influence, but they caused great harm in the past. To read about the ship breaking down was quite alarming. It drifted much in the same way as the recent disaster. Anyone thinking of taking a cruise would be well placed to read this book. This book is significant in the pictures it portrays. It is a true story of a world cruise and a history of the countries that were visited. The book is well written, and because of that and the story line, a riveting read. It highlights perhaps the most poignant links to countries and events that have shaped history, for better or worse. The book has indeed reinforced my view not to take a cruise. I could go on about this book and sing more of its praises, but suffice to say the book is short and I will read it again and indeed use it for reference purposes.

This book describes a 123 day voyage on Queen Mary 2 when the author and his wife visited several dozen foreign ports around the world. The book recounts their problems as well as the bizarre and tragic histories of each place they visited. They found a single terribly destructive theme running through the histories, a tragedy that still exists.