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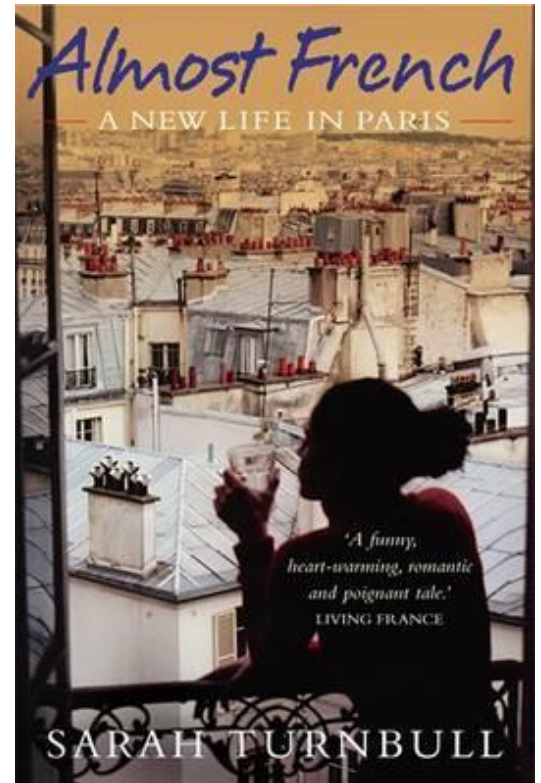
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Plot:

A delightful new twist on the travel memoir, *Almost French* takes readers on a tour fraught with culture clashes but rife with insight and deadpan humour - a charming true story of what happens when Sarah meets a very French Frenchman.

Backpacking around Europe, twenty-something Sarah Turnbull meets Frederic and impulsively accepts his invitation to visit him for a week in Paris. Eight years later, she is still there - and married to him. The feisty Sydney journalist swaps vegemite for vichyssoise and all things French, but commits the fatal errors of bowling up to strangers at classy receptions, helping herself to champagne, laughing too loudly and (quelle horreur!) rushing out for a baguette in her 'pantalons de jogging'. But Paris' maddening, mysterious charm proves irresistible and Sarah makes spectacular progress. She finds work as a freelance journalist, learns to survive Parisian dinner parties and how to deal with grim-faced officialdom.

As she navigates the highs and lows of Parisian life, covering the haute couture fashions shows and discovering the hard way the paradoxes of France

today, Sarah succeeds in becoming 'almost French'.

Additional Info:

About Sarah Turnbull

Despite having failed French in her first year at University, journalist Sarah Turnbull moved to France from Sydney in the mid 1990s. Her articles appear regularly in a variety of magazines such as Marie Claire, for which she is a contributing editor. She lives in Paris with her husband Frederic and their dog, Maddie.

Review quote

Best, most seductive and funniest travel memoir this summer is Sarah Turnbull's *Almost French*, a novel twist on an Australian twenty-something back-packer's romantic liaison with a very French Frenchman and the howling differences in language, customs and expected behaviour. * *What's On in London* * Turnbull pulls no punches when it comes to describing life among her new countrymen and is refreshingly direct about her own failings as perceived by the Parisians. Required reading for anyone contemplating a spot of French leave. * *Marie Claire* * An entertaining tale of being a fish out of water in one of the most magical cities in the world. * *Everything France* * A funny, heart-warming, romantic and poignant tale of fitting in... will appeal to the latest generation of Francophiles dreaming of starting a new life in France. * *Living France* *

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