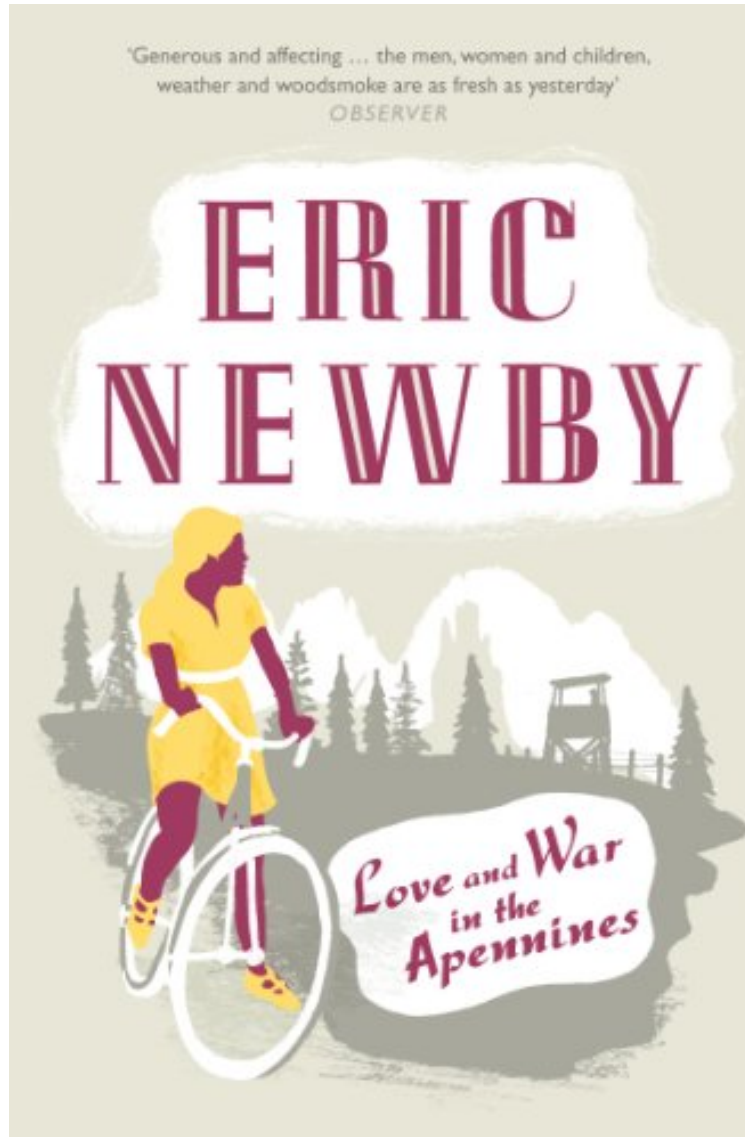


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unforgettable bookVon Ein Kundeeric newby went on to become one of the century's funniest travel writer, but his most exciting adventure was that of a 20-year old british POW during the second world on the run from the germans and being hidden by a network of italian families. (he went on a to marry one of them, a blonde partisan.) this is not a

war book -- except for his capture there is no military action. but it's one of the best and most suspenseful tales of the confusion that reigned in Italy during the German occupation. it's also a remarkable description of rural Italian life, and anyone who knows the Italian countryside and Italians will find it extremely funny at times. i'm amazed no one has made a movie from this book.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A comic, colorful true adventureVon timI totally agree with the "Paris reviewer's" comments, although I did not read the book -- I listened to it on audio tape. What a treat! Mr. Newby is a delightful writer, and so far my wife and I have enjoyed 4 of his books on tapes. They are wonderful companions on long drives. His adventures (and later with Mrs. Newby -- Wanda) are akin to the "Thin Man on a Walkabout" -- except they are fact not fiction! Like the Paris reviewer I can't see why someone has not made movies of several of his books!0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Love NewbyVon salieroI just love Eric Newby's writing, and this autobiographical account of his experiences in Italy during WW2 is beautifully realised. This is worth reading at the same time as Carlo Levi's 'Christ Stopped At Eboli' , which I have also reviewed. The warmth and generosity shown Newby, an English POW soldier on the run by the mountain people is touching and bitter-sweet. This is a fitting testament to them.

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