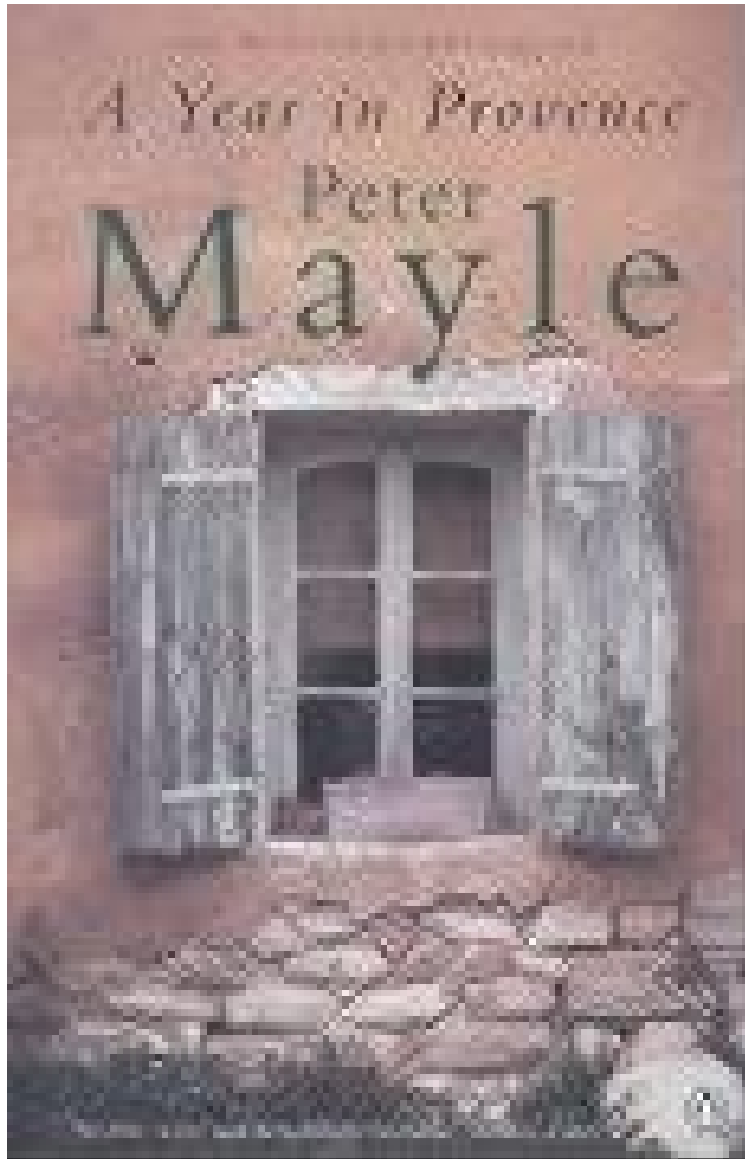


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was written, I found it to be highly entertaining as I read about his experiences living in the area. His style is conversational, as if he were sitting in your living room for a chat. His descriptions of the local people, and semi-quoting their conversations is, at times, hilarious. Mayle also does a credible job depicting the countryside, food, travel, and slower lifestyle of the natives of the area. I found this book so entertaining that I also read two others: *Toujours Provence*, and *Encore Provence: New Adventures in the South of France*. If you're looking for an insight into the area of Provence France from someone other than a factual travel guide, I highly recommend Peter Mayle's books. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Like a mimi vacation By C. Snyder I loved the different characters the author met and discussed. The descriptions of the towns, food and weather were all splendid. I would have appreciated an explanation of the French terms used throughout the book, but Google translate helped when I was stuck. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. It was a slow read (or listen, as the ... By D. L. It was a slow read (or listen, as the case may be), but probably accurately reflects the author's first year in Provence. Not much happens, and I am not sure to what extent this being an abridged audiobook affects that. But it filled the hours driving on vacation.

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About the Author Peter Mayle's work has been translated into twenty two languages. His previous books include *A Year in Provence*, *Toujours Provence* and his recent novels *Anything Considered* and *Chasing Cezanne*, available from Penguin.