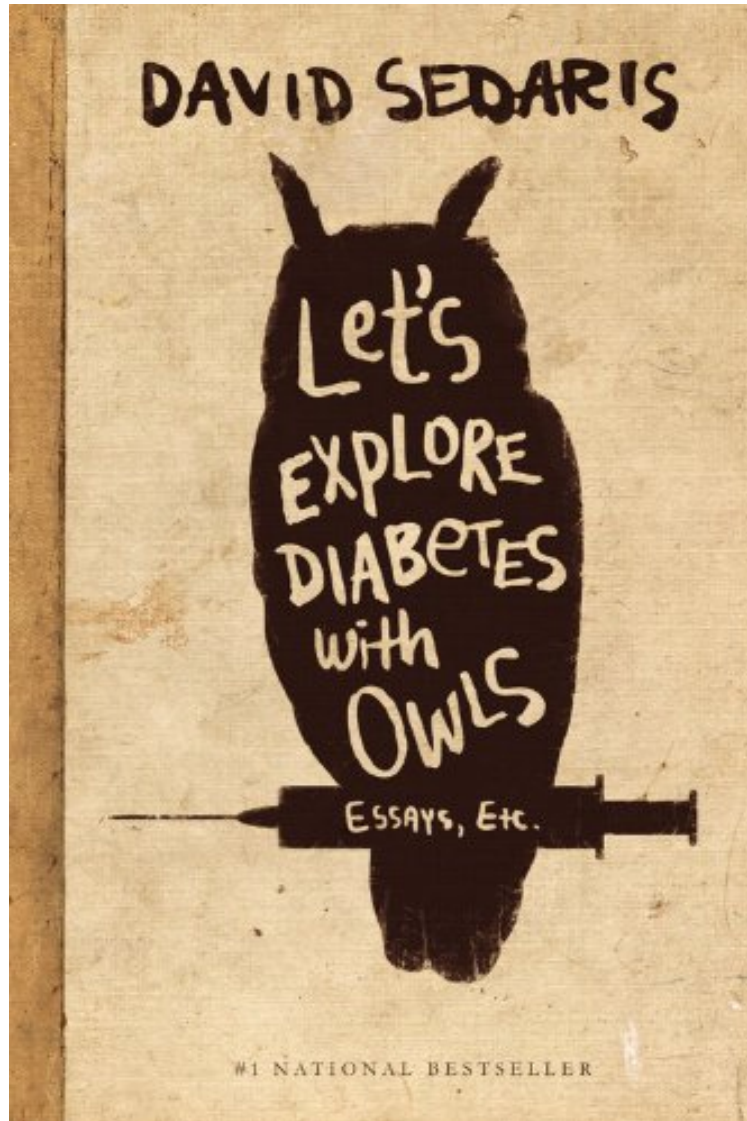


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**David Sedaris : Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls:

7 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Fried rooster blood, anyone? By ealovitt Good news for this author if he's planning another trip to China: the Chinese and the Indians are in a race to see how quickly they can sanitize their respective countries. They are competing to see who can build the most toilets. No more making do with a hole in the ground, or what my niece, who spent six months in China calls a 'squattie' (she accidentally dropped her cell phone in

one). Don't do what I did and read "#2 to Go" while eating lunch. Not only does David talk about Chinese sanitary habits, he also dives into the dark side of their cuisine. Fried rooster blood, anyone? The owl in the title is stuffed. The author's partner, Hugh collected owl knick-knacks (not voluntarily--people started giving them to him when they found out he liked owls) and David wanted to top off his friend's collection with a stuffed owl. Unfortunately, taxidermists are not allowed to stuff owls in this country, even if the bird died of old age. When David and Hugh moved to France, they were stymied by the same law. However, although you can't kill an owl in England, you can have it stuffed once it's dead. David's trip to the English taxidermy shop is one of the highlights of this book: "If you like the odd bits and pieces, I think I've got something else you might enjoy.' The taxidermist retreated to the area behind his desk and pulled a plastic bag off an overhead shelf...From the bag he removed what looked like a platter with an oblong glass dome over it. Inside was a man's forearm, complete with little hairs and a smudged tattoo..."The severed arm had a story behind it as do all of the odd bits and pieces that this author collects and shares with his readers. Some of the essays in "Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls" are fantasies of what life might be like for a red-neck, right-wing voter. This is where the author ventures into Jonathan Swift's territory: heavy-handed satire, but witty. Very witty. These essays made me wonder what Sedaris thinks of the current Republican candidate for President. I hope he writes an essay (or an entire book about the 2016 Presidential Race). He's one of the few authors who could do this subject justice. Meanwhile, read this book and find out what David Sedaris thinks of the Chinese, Germans, the English, dentists, book tours, the lines at airports, and Pygmy skeletons. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. ... a 20 something year old that grew up dirt poor and had to work hard for every opportunity and ...By AshlyAs a 20 something year old that grew up dirt poor and had to work hard for every opportunity and success in life so far I found I could not relate to any part of the narrative this writer goes into about his childhood in country clubs complaining about not being the best on the swim team and daddy not connecting with him enough, but from the very first page I was sucked into this odd story with interesting ideas that seem scattered, like private whims being shared in confidence. Granted, I haven't finished the book yet so I will edit when I do. The author has an interesting way of writing that pulls you in and then pushes you back out again, though not in an unpleasant way. I'm enjoying this so far and look forward to seeing more from him. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Wowee.By PattyI love you, David Sedaris. Perhaps in another life we could have been something, alas, you have your own life to live and know not of my feelings for you. I will continue to admire you from afar and glean the messages you leave me in your words, braided like the soft silkiness of your hair. Oh, what it would be like to be able to gaze into those small dark eyes, and have you see me for who I am, what I could be. At some point I know I will have to give up my crazy dream, for now I will slowly lie down and close my teary eyes and spend my nights with you again. You are amazing. I don't care what other people say. My admiration of your intellect is far greater than any negative thoughts from people who may know better than I. While I sit and read these books and laugh and smile and feel like it was written for me. Just because I have an aunt who collected owls and I have collected the sugar diabeetus. Perhaps I will explore. The diabetes. With the owls. At this point I am willing to try anything. Good Day.

"Sedaris is a remarkably skilled storyteller and savvy essayist....And based, on this latest collection, he's getting only better." ---Los Angeles Times A guy walks into a bar car and...From here the story could take many turns. When the guy is David Sedaris, the possibilities are endless, but the result is always the same: he will both delight you with twists of humor and intelligence and leave you deeply moved. Sedaris remembers his father's dinnertime attire (shirtsleeves and underpants), his first colonoscopy (remarkably pleasant), and the time he considered buying the skeleton of a murdered Pygmy. The common thread? Sedaris masterfully turns each essay into a love story: how it feels to be in a relationship where one loves and is loved over many years, what it means to be part of a family, and how it's possible, through all of life's absurdities, to grow to love oneself. With LET'S EXPLORE DIABETES WITH OWLS, David Sedaris shows once again why he is widely considered the "the funniest writer in America" (O, the Oprah Magazine).