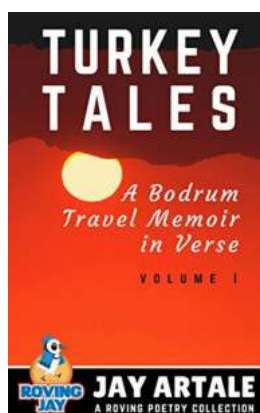


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Embark on a mesmerizing journey through the picturesque coastal town of Bodrum, as you explore its hidden gems and unravel the captivating tales that lie within. In this unique memoir, the beauty and charm of Bodrum are brought to life through a collection of roving poetry, enthraling readers with vivid imagery and heartfelt emotions.

From azure blue seas to ancient ruins, from bustling bazaars to tranquil beaches, each verse takes you on a lyrical expedition, immersing you in the essence of Bodrum. The author, renowned for their evocative writing style, effortlessly captures the spirit of the town, adorning each page with their profound observations and personal experiences.

As you delve into the depths of this captivating poetry collection, you will find yourself transported to Bodrum's enchanting streets, feeling the warmth of the sun on your skin and inhaling the scent of salty sea breeze. Through the author's words, the town's vibrant atmosphere comes alive, inviting you to become a part of its captivating world.



Turkey Tales: A Bodrum Travel Memoir in Verse (A Roving Poetry Collection Book 1)

by Jay Artale (Kindle Edition)

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Every poem in this collection is more than just a reflection of the author's personal encounters; it is a tribute to the soul of Bodrum, its rich history and cultural heritage. With each turn of the page, you will learn of the ancient civilizations that once called Bodrum home, their stories echoing through time and woven seamlessly into the poet's verses.

The collection is a homage to Bodrum's natural beauty, captivating readers with its sublime descriptions of sunsets painting the sky in hues of orange and pink, and fragrant landscapes blooming with vibrant bougainvillea and olive trees swaying in the gentle breeze. The author's ability to capture the essence of Bodrum through their words is truly remarkable.

But it's not just the picturesque landscapes that make this travel memoir so captivating; it's the people that inhabit the town. The author warmly introduces you to the colorful characters that bring Bodrum to life, from the friendly fishermen who regale tales of their daily adventures, to the passionate artisans who infuse their art with the spirit of the town.

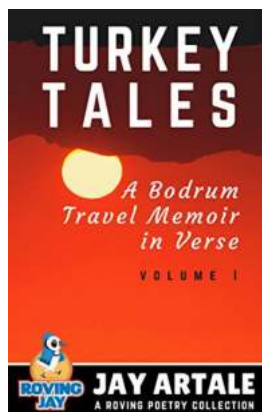
Each poem is accompanied by breathtaking photographs that provide a visual feast, complementing the lyrical beauty of the words. The combination of stunning imagery and profound poetry creates a truly immersive experience, allowing

readers to embark on a virtual journey of their own through the magical streets of Bodrum.

Whether you have visited Bodrum before or this is your first encounter with the town, this collection will undoubtedly ignite a fierce wanderlust within you. It will inspire you to wander off the beaten path, to explore the hidden corners and embrace the unknown, just as the author did.

The Bodrum Travel Memoir In Verse Roving Poetry Collection is a testament to the power of words to capture the essence of a place, to transport readers to another world, and to evoke emotions that transcend time and space. It is a true treasure for any poetry lover or travel enthusiast, inviting you to embark on a remarkable journey through the captivating town of Bodrum.

So, get ready to let your imagination soar as you immerse yourself in this mesmerizing collection of poetry. Allow the words to transport you to the enchanting streets of Bodrum, where history, culture, and beauty intertwine to create a tapestry of wonder. Let the Bodrum Travel Memoir In Verse Roving Poetry Collection be your guide as you embark on an unforgettable adventure through the heart and soul of this captivating coastal town.



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Travel Memoirs can transport you to a destination, and enable you to visualise people, cultures & experiences from another person's perspective. I've created this collection of travel inspired poetry to draw you into Turkey's Bodrum Peninsula. After writing travel guides about the area, I wanted to show the personal side of the location I now call home.

My poetry writing style is designed as an easy read. The rhymes should trip off your tongue and embed in your brain. I've created lines that will stick in your memory banks and come to you in a flash, much like the words of a favourite song.

If you like Travel Memoirs, this poetry memoir is for you. Ideal for reading on your mobile phone when you're lining up for your morning coffee, or during your commute. Even better when enjoyed on location in Turkey. Although the experiences and people I've encountered are all based in Bodrum, some of the behaviour and interaction is relevant in other parts of the Mediterranean or Aegean, like Spain, Greece or Italy.

Foreword by Jack Scott Author:

Eleanor Roosevelt once famously said, "The purpose of life is to taste experience to the utmost." I can think of no-one who has adopted this approach more energetically than Jay Artale, prolific blogger, writer, photographer, serial traveller and proud Turkophile. As 'Roving Jay' she bounds around the Bodrum Peninsula

on our behalf and has produced two definitive and impressively detailed travel guides on the area; she has launched her evergreen blog, The Bodrum Peninsula Travel Guide, plugging us into the beating heart of Bodrum and its hinterland; she has shared her dazzling portfolio of photographs, capturing the colour and intricacies of Turkish life; and now we have a collection of her poetry – something she describes, modestly, as an ‘interlude’.

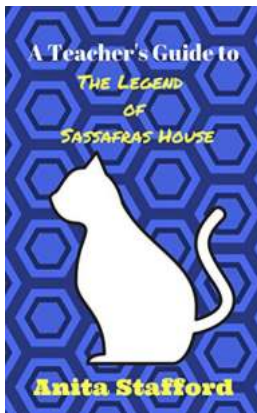
When I first met Jay in 2013, she was on a brief pilgrimage from her base in LA to the Norfolk flatlands of her birth. From the outset, her thirst for life – & for Turkey – was obvious. Like many people around the world, Jay was pining for a different way of living and she had her sights firmly set on Bodrum on the southwest coast of Turkey. Now Jay has made a life-altering leap, and judging by this unique collection of poems, she has chucked herself in with her usual drive and aplomb.

That ‘yearning for a change’ theme opens this collection - with the reflective and double-edged Turkish Coffee is my Cup of Tea. It will resonate with anyone who has regularly holidayed in Turkey: people watching and sipping tea or coffee at a Belediye café is pretty much synonymous with Turkish life, something picked up later with “Tulip cups with steaming tea,” in Forget Me Not. And that, in many ways, is the allure of Turkey. Approached in the right way, it offers expats an opportunity to carve out a simpler, if hugely stimulating, way of life. As we hear in Moving to Turkey, “All that clutter... anchored us down,” and “How many shoes does one girl need?” Quite.

Jay leads us through the whole gamut of feelings anyone who has pitched their tent in Turkey will recognise. We get the reality check of Our First Winter (“Rising damp, mould on the ceilings, and regular power cuts,”), the sea views of Enjoy the Dance (“skies that fall into the sea,”) and everything in between. But what makes this book is Jay's acute power of observation, particularly when it comes

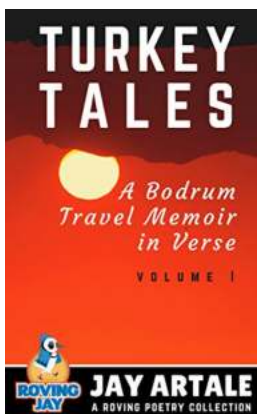
to Gümüslük, her local village. Here we get “A tiny mosque and a barber's chair,” in A Quiet Place to Write in Gümüslük, and “draping rods with ekmek bait,” and “eyebrows twitch at harbour boats in Gümüslük's Fishermen. She’s not afraid to say it as it is either, describing her pores as she hikes in the hills above Bodrum as “working hard like Patpong whores”. There is even a less than oblique reference to my own Bodrum legacy lingering “like a fart.” Ahem.

I was surprised when Jay told me about her poetry, & that’s what makes her such an interesting person to know. She is full of surprises.



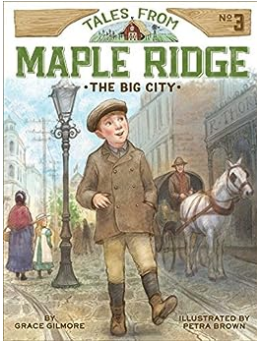
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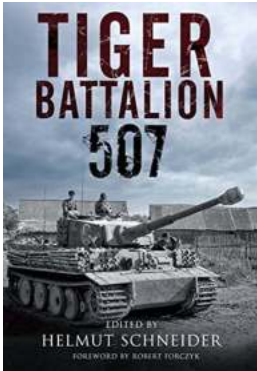
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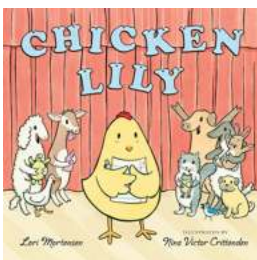
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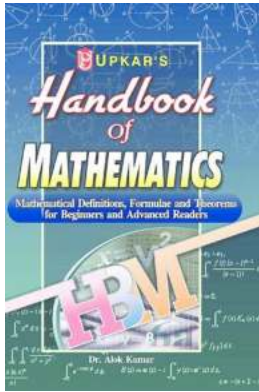
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