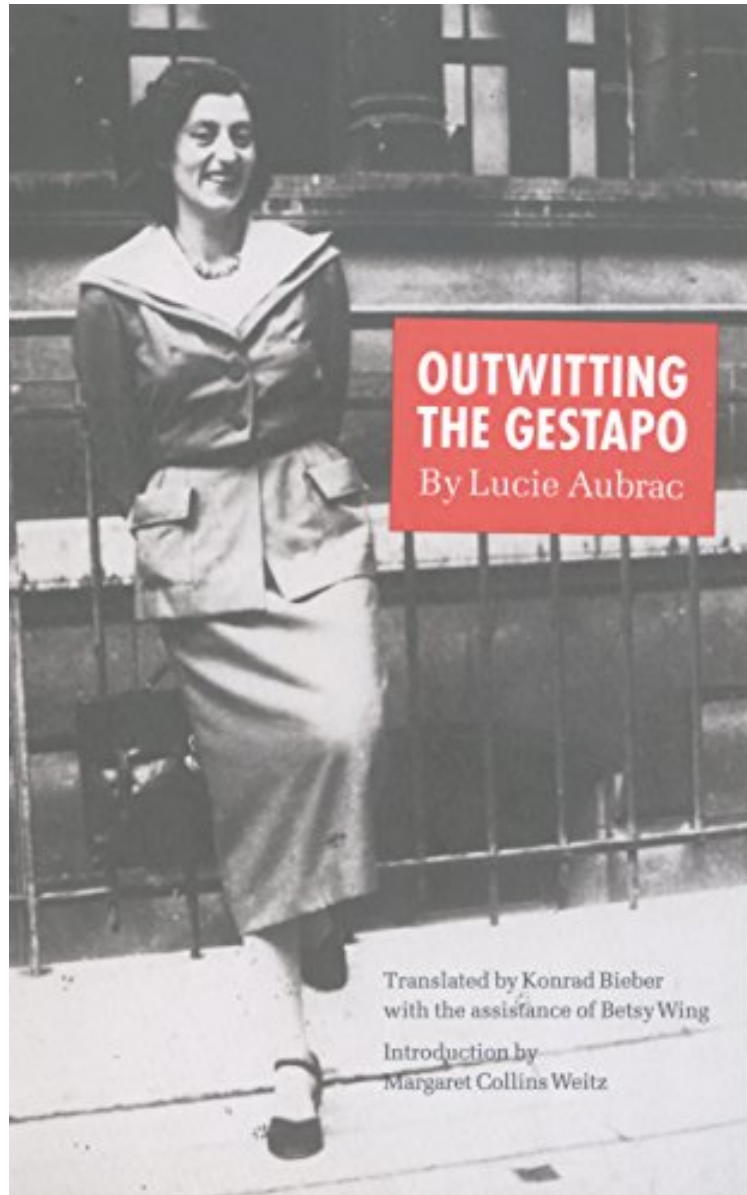


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Von Lucie Aubrac : Outwitting the Gestapo (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised *Outwitting the Gestapo* (English Edition):

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determination, at all costs, to save her husband, her true other half, from execution by the infamous Klaus Barbie, "Butcher of Lyon." That is what makes it so compelling. I was drawn to this memoir, written in diary form, from May 14, 1943 through February 12, 1944, because I had seen the French film, * Lucie Aubrac *. A gorgeous film, that follows the same experience as this book, I was left wanting more. I was richly rewarded by reading this intimate revelation of the French Resistance and the couple who are equally committed to each other and the freedom of France. This story is a vivid portrait of devotion and fortitude. Raymond, Lucie Aubrac's husband, and the father of her young son and the child she carries in her womb, is arrested and sentenced to die. Lucie has been involved with the resistance since its beginning, but with the advent of this new ordeal, she masterminds a terrifying attempt to free her beloved husband. With her "buddies" in the resistance, a plan is orchestrated that involves the increasingly expanding Lucie to have almost daily contact with Klaus Barbie. Singlehandedly, she attempts to convince this monster to allow a contact with Raymond, making Barbie believe that she is an unwed mother who must marry Raymond to give her child a name. Constantly changing names and domains, Lucie and the other members of the resistance live with the constant fear of being caught, yet nothing interferes with their goals. Their unflinching resolve is what makes for true heroism; their dedication to each other redefines friendship for me. The film is indeed beautiful, but it is in many ways short-sighted. There is so much more to this story than is presented on celluloid. Lucie Aubrac tells her remarkable story while enveloping her comrades into her heart, and presents the reader with the depth of her love for Raymond and France. This book gives a more complete picture of France and the Resistance, and of course, the love that many people would want to die for. Outwitting the Gestapo gave me a deep feeling of satisfaction.

Kurzbeschreibung Lucie Aubrac (1912-2007), born Bernard into a Catholic family of winegrowers, was teaching history in a Lyon high school and newly married to Raymond Samuel, a Jewish engineer, when World War II broke out and divided France. The couple, living in the Vichy zone, soon joined the Resistance movement in opposition to the Nazis and their collaborators. Outwitting the Gestapo is Lucie's harrowing account of her participation in the Resistance: of the months when, though pregnant, she planned and took part in raids to free comrades including her husband, under Nazi death sentence from the prisons of Klaus Barbie, the infamous Butcher of Lyon. Her book, originally published in French as *Ils partiront dans l'ivresse*, is also the basis for the 1997 French movie, *Lucie Aubrac*, which was released in the United States in 1999. The translator, Konrad Bieber, is an emeritus professor of French and comparative literature at SUNY, Stony Brook, and a survivor of Nazi Terror. The introducer is Margaret Collins Weitz, professor of humanities and languages at Suffolk University in Boston. A breathtaking account that feeds the soul as much as it satisfies the appetite for vicarious danger. Kirkus s Lively and absorbing... [Aubrac's] book interweaves the everyday experience of incredibly hard times... with Resistance activities. London of Books There is a relish for the idiosyncratic ramifications of human character that reveal themselves in crisis... As the record of a female resisters exploits, Aubrac's account is doubly valuable. [There is] a compelling sense of immediacy as events unfold. Washington Post Book World An excellent historical introduction on the Resistance movement... and an appropriately taut translation... enhance the impact of this stirring tale of heroism, which concerns not only Resistance members but ordinary citizens, notably women. Publishers Weekly This book is riveting. Adventure, terror, horror, and excitement are all here; it is a feminist classic as well... full of interesting information about wartime food, clothes, schooling and manners. It is also a sturdy tale of married love, sustained and requited. The translation is so good that it reads as if it had been written in English. Times Literary Supplement In *Ils partiront dans l'ivresse*, we find the whole Lucie Aubrac with her candor, spontaneity and narrative art... But these are not the only qualities of the book: it exudes a spirit of solidarity among all resisters... and a great respect for the humble people who at one time or another assisted the Resistance without belonging to it. All in all, an extraordinary testimony by an extraordinary woman. Claude Lvy, *Vingtime Sicle*, revue d'histoire Pressestimmen "A breathtaking account that feeds the soul as much as it satisfies the appetite for vicarious danger."--Kirkus s "This book is riveting. Adventure, terror, horror, and excitement are all here; it is a feminist classic as well ... full of interesting information about wartime food, clothes, schooling and manners. It is also a sturdy tale of married love, sustained and requited. The translation is so good that it reads as if it had been written in English."--Times Literary Supplement "Lively and absorbing... [Aubrac's] book interweaves the everyday experience of incredibly hard times...with Resistance activities."--London of Books "There is a relish for the idiosyncratic ramifications of human character that reveal themselves in crisis... As the record of a female resister's exploits, Aubrac's account is doubly valuable. [There is] a compelling sense of immediacy as events unfold."--Washington Post Book World "An excellent historical introduction on the Resistance movement ... and an appropriately taut translation ... enhance the impact of this stirring tale of heroism, which concerns not only Resistance members but ordinary citizens, notably women."--Publishers Weekly Kurzbeschreibung Lucie Aubrac (1912-2007), born Bernard into a Catholic family of winegrowers, was teaching history in a Lyon high school and newly married to Raymond Samuel, a Jewish engineer, when World War II broke out and divided France. The couple, living in the Vichy zone, soon joined the Resistance movement in opposition to the Nazis and their collaborators. Outwitting the

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