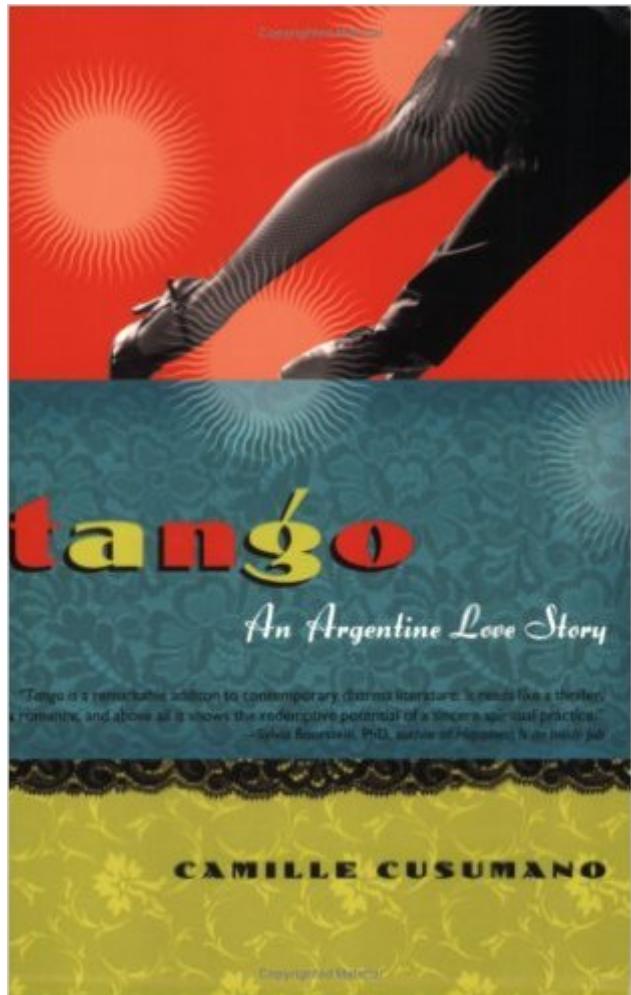


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Tango: An Argentine Love Story



Synopsis

Overwhelmed with the pain of a failed fifteen-year relationship, Camille Cusumano wanted badly to escape her life and heal her emotional wounds. After a violent encounter with her exâ™s new girlfriend, Camille decided she had some serious soul-searching to do. She took off for Buenos Aires intending to stay a few short weeks, but when her search for inner peace met with her true passion of tango, she realized sheâ™d need to stay in Argentina indefinitely. *Tango* is a memoir of falling in love with a country through the dance that embodies intensity, freedom, and passion — all pivotal to Camilleâ™s own process of self-discovery. From the charm of local barrios to savory empanadas, Camille whole-heartedly embraces the ardent culture of Argentina, and soon a month-long escape turns into a year-long personal odyssey. Slowly letting go of her grief through a blend of tango, Zen, and a burgeoning group of friends, Camille discovers that her fierceness and patience can exist in harmony as she learns how to survive in style when love falls apart.

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Customer Reviews

If a picture is worth a thousand words, this book proves the reverse may also be true---words can be as richly evocative as any image. *TANGO*'s words march across the page like vivid snapshots. It takes you deep inside the culture of the dance, of Buenos Aires, a very Italian city, to exotic corners of Argentina, like Iguazu and Patagonia, to gaucho country, and barrios (or neighborhoods) all over Buenos Aires. It never lacks for some visual detail to keep your kinesthetic interest--whether the author is describing tango dancers in La Boca who dip their soles in paint and dance on a huge

canvas or what the exotic parts of Argentine cattle taste like or what her many dance partners smell like--(be thankful it's not scratch-and-sniff). Be prepared for every known sense and some not yet named to bearoused when you read TANGO, a love story with many facets. The book opens when life takes some unexpected turns, and the author rises to the challenge. She packs up a few suitcases and with only a bare bones plan, takes off for Buenos Aires, Tango Mecca, Paris of South America, a city that never sleeps. Her love life has fallen apart, the gauntlet is thrown. That's the bad news. It's also where the good news starts. She shows how we all rise from the ashes, new life is always on the bud. There are a thousand and one ways to redeem ourselves. Just hop on the bus, Gus. Slip out the back, Jack. Try a new dance, Lance. TANGO is a story about sudden travel--not the carefully planned sort-- to a foreign place literally and figuratively. That is, sometimes that foreign place is our self.

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