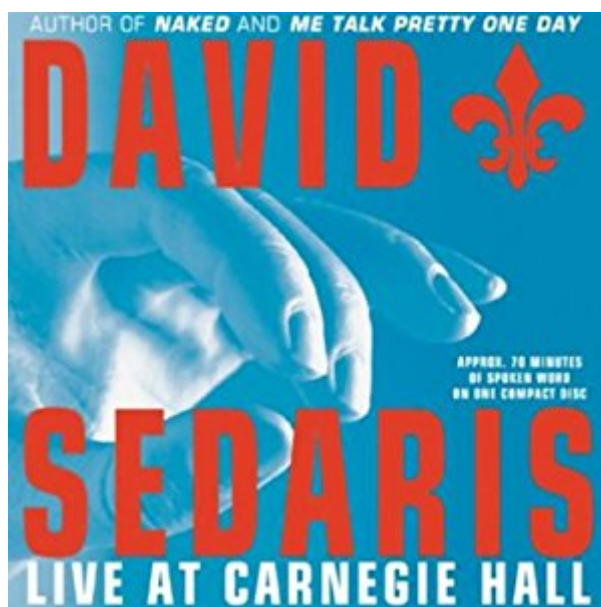


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# David Sedaris Live At Carnegie Hall



## Synopsis

If you are driving, pull over. If you are at work, close your door-unless you don't mind your colleagues seeing you doubled over, in tears, on your office floor. With this CD, taped before a delirious sold out audience at Carnegie Hall, you are there as David Sedaris performs new stories from his upcoming book. A parrot who mimics an ice maker, lovers quarreling over a rubber hand, and a Santa Claus who moonlights from his job as bishop of Turkey-the cast of characters in these stories is like no other. This new work will appeal to David's loyal fans as well as admirers of the classic comedy albums of George Carlin, Bill Cosby and Steve Martin. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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## Customer Reviews

He's always the best. Listen to this CD so much I scratched it to bits and had to buy another

As you would expect from David Sedaris, this disc is completely hilarious and should help tide you over until his forthcoming "Untitled Collection" is released in June. I imagine that many of the essays he reads on this disc (most were originally published by Esquire) will find their way into that book. As he proved with *Me Talk Pretty One Day*, David Sedaris is at his best when he's exposing cultural differences, as illustrated through language and tradition (especially religious customs, with all of the associated secular trimmings). From the questions he chooses to ask upon arriving in a new country (his first is always "what do your roosters say?") to his confusion with the languages that humans speak (the French use the same word for chef and boss), his unique perspective shines a

different light on some very funny, if not always particularly significant, truths. If you were moved to tears by his attempt, in French, to describe the basic tenets of Easter, you'll certainly feel the same about his description of the practice of Christmas in the Netherlands. Evidently, though the Dutch think the idea of Santa employing elves is freakish and disgusting, they see nothing wrong with a Santa who is assisted on his yearly journey by "six to eight black men" (according to tradition, they were once slaves, but now they're just Santa's close friends). My only criticism is that two of the tracks are rereadings of excerpts from The David Sedaris Box Set (they're bonus tracks, originally taken from the Esquire article "Buddy, Can You Spare a Tie?," but they're on the Barrel Fever disc of the box set). Still, at least they're quite funny, so you don't mind hearing them again. You just might wish that the CD were longer and included only new material.

Sooo funny!

David Sedaris is an author who wanders around the world, experiencing life, and then writing about it in funny and touching ways. The first story he tells on this CD epitomizes that, as it's about how his family thinks about him and his little notebook, what life might be like if it was made into a movie, a story about the death of a dog, and ends with ... well, you'll just have to listen to the CD to find out. Sedaris is an excellent word smith, and he is quite the storyteller. From lunatic birds to Christmas in the Netherlands, from peeing in your pants to losing love, David Sedaris is able to entertain, enlighten, and communicate with ease. I highly recommend buying this CD.

I heard David first on the Moth radio and would laugh just trying to tell others how funny he is. Totally off the wall and really funny! Maybe it is a Greek thing, but his family life sounds very much like the family in the movie My Big Fat Greek Wedding in that assumptions are made about products, food, life, and relationships that are really different from how some of us are raised.

I'm that person you see driving down the road, laughing hysterically, with nobody else in the car - and David Sedaris' audio books are the reason why - this is some of his best stories. Love.

Brief, but funny David Sedaris cd. I like when he reads one of his books, I can listen for hours. This was short, but good.

I don't think I could recommend David Sedaris for children...but as Adult humor he is a hoot! This

CD is a group of stories that will make you laugh out-loud I listen to him when traveling and find time passes quickly and I'm laughing out-loud alone in the car... This is a good CD.

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