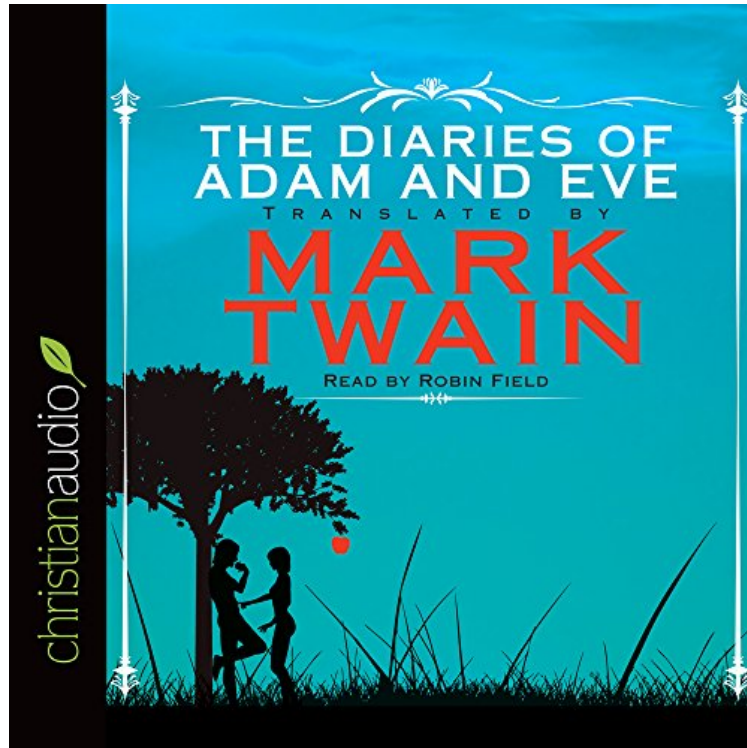


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**Mark Twain : The Diaries of Adam and Eve** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Diaries of Adam and Eve:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Mark Twain effectively uses their personal accounts to show how Adam and Eve made sense of life and of each other. By SherrinB To better understand the behaviors of Adam and Eve - main characters of Jim Jarmusch's upcoming film, "Last Lovers Left Alive", I purchased Mark Twain's Diaries of Adam and Eve. Mr. Jarmusch had mentioned Twain's book in an interview after the screening. Later, a friend also mentioned that Twain's book was the basis of a long-running musical play, "The Apple Tree". In any event, the diaries are a delightful, amusing read that highlights the essential differences between male and female. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A touching tribute By anthony w cuomo I understand that Mark Twain wrote this to celebrate his love for his wife; and according to some critics this work is his best attempt at writing in the female voice and from the female perspective. There are portions of the tale which made me laugh right out loud not only at the well-crafted dichotomy between the male and female minds, but also at how well Twain was able to nail the common, and apparently eternal, misunderstandings men and women have about each other. This story is a love story, have no doubt about that, and in the hands of a master like Twain the common vision of love as a theme is transformed into a timeless commentary on discovering, adapting to, appreciating, and ultimately longing for the love of your life. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Treasured By dcf My spouse and I loved this book so much we chose it as the only reading in our wedding, and so I completely agree that it would make a great wedding or anniversary gift. It is perhaps the best thing Twain ever wrote, because it is everything: hilarious, tragic, cynical, tender, and hopeful.

Apparently, Twain started this before his wife's death and came back to it again afterwards, which I think is why there is so much passion and reflection in the story. There are earlier versions that were published in serial format and are also worth reading. In essence, this is the first and the last love story, as Eve says. And so it is also everyone's love story. The development of Adam and Eve's relationship is the main focus here, but I disagree that Twain's views about God are not here, too. Whereas Adam seems content to just follow orders, it's Eve's questioning of God and The Fall that adds such depth to the story. This piece really is about the best and worst not only of the human race, but of God as well, told in a way that makes you realize why Twain is probably the best writer this country will ever see. It's only a 45 minute read, but it's one that you'll treasure.

Mark Twain spills his wit and whimsical sense of humor onto the pages of his novel *The Diaries of Adam and Eve*. The story tells of the events that took place in the Garden of Eden prior to the entrance of the deceitful serpent. Adam and Eve are not exactly getting along. Through the struggles listed in their diaries, one can safely assume that these two very different human beings are each other's greatest source of frustration. Intended as a comical insight into the complex relations between men and women, *The Diaries of Adam and Eve* displays a progression from continual annoyance to a perfect partnership.

'Funny? Yes. And you expect that from Twain. But this is also a love story...' Birmingham Weekly, May 1999 "The sort of book that makes for deeply satisfying reading... one of the great love stories of all time." --The Mark Twain Forum, January 1999  
About the Author Mark Twain (1835-1910) was an American humorist, satirist, social critic, lecturer and novelist. He is mostly remembered for his classic novels *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* and *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*.