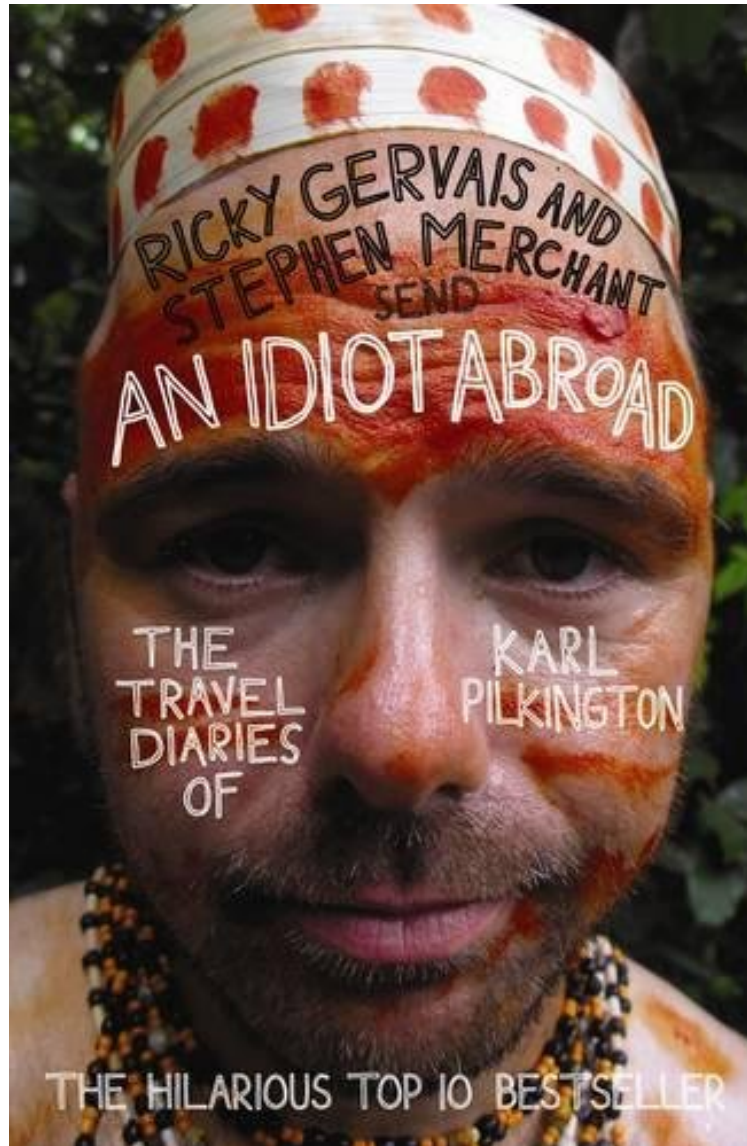


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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Code Word: Congress TartBy Robert I. Hedges"An Idiot Abroad: The Travel Diaries of Karl Pilkington" is one of the funniest books I have ever read. It's an accompaniment to his fantastic television show "An Idiot Abroad" in which Ricky Gervais and Stephen Merchant get Karl to see the seven wonders of the world in a (sort of) travelogue format for Sky TV. Pilkington is caused massive amounts of grief by

Gervais and Merchant who design itineraries and scenarios that Karl has no knowledge of and would never electively choose to participate in. These adventures are frequently punctuated with phone calls, voicemails, or texts from Ricky or Stephen ("Call me. Need to go over the rules of Mexican wrestling with you.") Although perpetually agitated by his tormentors, Karl has a worldview all his own and sometimes even though he hits all the wrong notes he still reveals great truths. The book is almost funnier than the series, and on several occasions I found myself laughing out loud while reading even though I knew the general outline of what was going to happen as I had seen the series previously. If you want a travel book that tells it like it really is or if you simply want to find out why hippos don't get eczema, buy "An Idiot Abroad"! 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Laugh out loud funny! By Dawne Duffin I hesitated to buy this book because I couldn't imagine there would be much to add to the series I had seen on TV. But I downloaded it and this is now one of my favorite comedy books of all times. If you love the comedy in the series, by all means get this book. You find out the WHOLE story about his trips around the world. It is truly "laugh out loud" funny! Would love to sit down and talk philosophy with Mr. Pilkington..... 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Additional commentary By Crystal Raymond Edwards I couldn't help but wonder what had been edited out of the show as I watched it. Pilkington's onscreen commentary was so funny and, at times, touching that I hoped to find what had been abandoned in the editing bay. I was so pleased to find this book and read it, as it seamlessly blends his video commentary and his remembrances (and fuller phone conversations). The book gave me many chuckles and a renewed respect for the trials he experienced. Highly recommended as a companion piece but only after one has watched the program's first season.

Presenting the Travel Diaries of Karl Pilkington: Adventurer. Philosopher. Idiot. Karl Pilkington isn't keen on travelling. Given the choice, he'll go on holiday to Devon or Wales or, at a push, eat English food on a package holiday in Majorca. Which isn't exactly Michael Palin, is it? So what happened when he was convinced by Ricky Gervais and Stephen Merchant to go on an epic adventure to see the Seven Wonders of the World? Travel broadens the mind, right? You'd think so... Find out in Karl Pilkington's hilarious travel diaries. 'He is a moron. A completely round, empty-headed, part-chimp Manc.' RICKY GERVAIS 'He'd have been happier in medieval times in a village where you didn't travel beyond the local community.' STEPHEN MERCHANT

The funniest man on the planet (Spectator) Genius or mental case? Prepare to be amazed (Esquire) Not many idiots could make something this funny (Guardian) About the Author Karl Pilkington is the author of six bestselling books: The World of Karl Pilkington; Happyslapped by a Jellyfish; Karlology; An Idiot Abroad; The Further Adventures of An Idiot Abroad. He was part of the Guinness World Record-breaking podcast The Ricky Gervais Show, which was downloaded over 300 million times and became an animation for HBO in the USA. He also starred in three series of Sky 1's global hit An Idiot Abroad and most recently, The Moaning of Life.