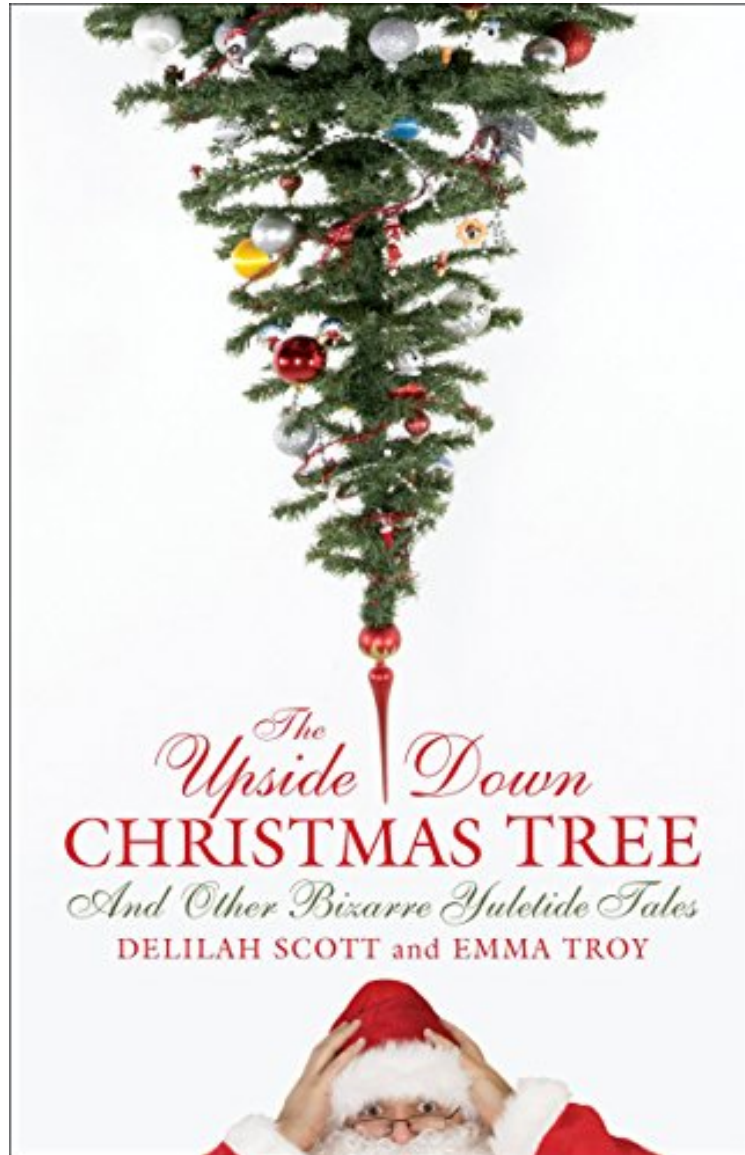


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**Delilah Scott, Emma Troy : The Upside-Down Christmas Tree: And Other Bizarre Yuletide Tales** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Upside-Down Christmas Tree: And Other Bizarre Yuletide Tales:

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belief is that your expectations going into this book will determine your enjoyment of it. It's a collection of very short snippets of the history of Christmas celebrations, Christmas traditions around the world, and stories of how individual people/families celebrate Christmas (or not). The book is a bit of a hodge-podge of humorous stories that will leave you smiling - including how to get out of visiting family over the holidays if that is your wish - and history/social studies lesson. Each piece is very short and when you get into the later parts of the book related to world-wide traditions, they get very, very short and actually do run together a bit with some repetition in facts. I read this while riding in the car to visit family for Christmas and picked it up when I had a free moment, but was often interrupted and had to put it back down. In that situation, this book was perfect. Each piece is self-contained and it lends itself to sporadic reading. If I were trying to read from front to back in only a few sittings, I think the disjointedness would have bothered me. Not the best book I have ever read regarding Christmas and its traditions, but enjoyable (plus I "bought" it while offered free for my Kindle - I might feel differently if I had paid \$9 for it). 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Average, Potential Gift Item By SJN This book is pretty average: decently written but not great. You've probably seen most of the information in this book elsewhere. It might make a good gift for a secret Santa swap or for someone you don't know very well. I would have given this book three stars except for the lack of editing. At one point, New York is described as being part of New England and another page contains a short list, with one item listed twice by mistake. It should not have reached printing with these mistakes uncorrected.

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From the Back Cover As the song says, "It's the most wonderful time of the year." And the weirdest. Friends and neighbors, married couples and lovers, parents and children, grandparents and grandchildren gather together and celebrate Christmas . . . Hanukkah . . . the Winter Solstice . . . Humbug Day. And for every familiar carol sung and every turkey dinner eaten and every red stocking hung, there are curses hurled, trees turned upside-down, and lumps of coal regifted. And that's just the beginning. In *The Upside-Down Christmas Tree*, anyone looking to laugh their way through the stress of the holidays will discover what truly strange goings-on go on behind closed doors in homes and towns around the world during the twelve days of Christmas, including: Weird holiday food and drink traditions and toasts Unusual decorations and celebrations Shopping idiosyncrasies, presents from hell, and bizarre gift exchanges Wild and wacky variations on the Santa Claus theme Dysfunctional family antics associated with the holidays What people will do to avoid going home for the holidays Family and cultural traditions from around the globe And much more!