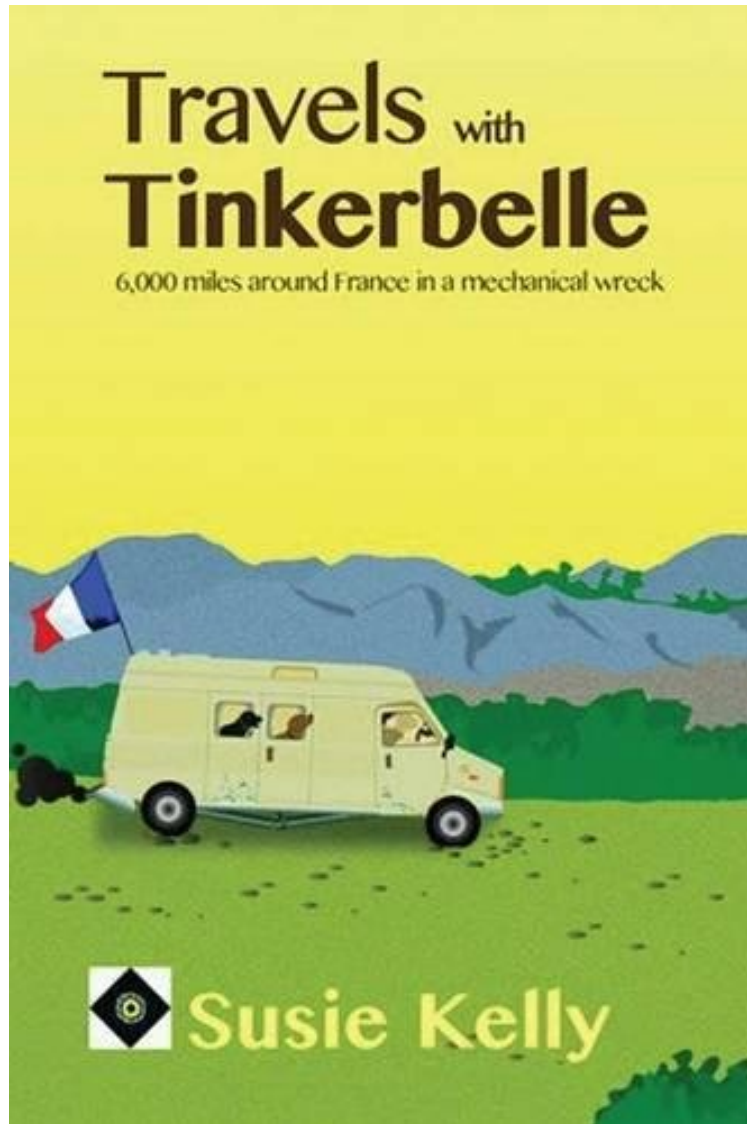


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Travel Troubles. Great read.By Dora M. GourleyI love these kinds

of travel stories told by folks who actually were there. We used to travel in our 24' Minnie Winnie, but since it was purchased new didn't have the motor troubles, but one always had to be on the look out for low hanging wires, episodes at the dumping stations, etc. And we would never have dared to travel with two big dogs, taking them walking thru the country side, into and out of the water and bringing all that mud, sand, etc. back into our motorhome. If you like a nice and at times good chuckle, you will love this one. I do wonder though, can you actually not donate blood in France if you are from England just in case you may have Mad Cow Disease? :) 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. OK, but not what I'd expected. By Dawn I had previously read two other books by Susie Kelly, and thoroughly enjoyed both of them. I had expected this book would be in a similar vein, full of interesting anecdotes about the people she meets during her travels around France. I was disappointed to find it's mostly just a faithful recollection of a vast number of scenic and historic landmarks. There's a little about the dogs, who mostly play with each other or other dogs they meet, some about people they meet, but as the meeting is very brief, there's little of any interest learned about these people's lives, and a little about the difficulties in travelling with an ageing van. But apart from that, it's a travelogue. There's nothing wrong with that, if it's what you want to read, but I was expecting more along the vein of Swallows and Robins. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great story and I learned a lot. By C Davis I think I've read all of Susie Kelly's books on Kindle. I love her honest and open way of telling a story. I've not traveled a lot in France so I really learned a lot from her travels. I had the book going on my old Kindle and I was Googling the towns and tourist spots on my Kindle Fire as I went along. I wanted to see pictures and read more history of all the wonderful places she and her husband...and 2 dogs stopped to visit. I enjoyed having a picture up on the Fire as I was reading her story. I felt like I was right there in Tinkerbelle with them all. I could almost smell wet dog. I hope Susie and her husband have many more adventures and let me tag along via her next great book. Keep them coming Susie!

The author and her husband devised a simple plan - to take a tent and the dog and drive around the perimeter of France. Like many simple plans it went wrong before it started and they ended up with two dogs and a campervan named Tinkerbelle. On the second day of their journey Tinkerbelle begins to self-destruct, helped by the new dog who does his best to eat her from the inside out. This is their story, as they travel from sandy beaches to snow-topped mountains exploring the diverse cultures, cuisines and countryside making up the country called France. Their journey takes them to places out of the ordinary, meeting interesting characters and witnessing ancient traditions. While the dogs rejoice in the freedom they find running on the beaches, Susie and Terry spend a lot of time holding their breath, wondering whether Tinkerbelle will manage to negotiate impossible mountain routes and get them home before she completely disintegrates. Like Susie's other bestselling books - Best Foot Forward: A 500 Mile Walk Through Hidden France and The Valley of Heaven and Hell: Cycling In The Shadow of Marie Antoinette, Travels with Tinkerbelle is a mixture of travel and history sprinkled with her unique opinionated but self-deprecating humor. Travels with Tinkerbelle is a revision of "A Perfect Circle", previously published by Transworld Publishers. Enhanced features of this edition include chapter by chapter map links of the journey. Links to more information about the most significant places visited on the trip and an accompanying online photograph album. travel, France, dogs, travel with dogs, humor, humour, traveling with dogs, France guidebook, France travel, travelling with dogs, Motorhome France, campervan France, camping France, France camping, budget travel, budget France, travel humor, travel humour, campervan