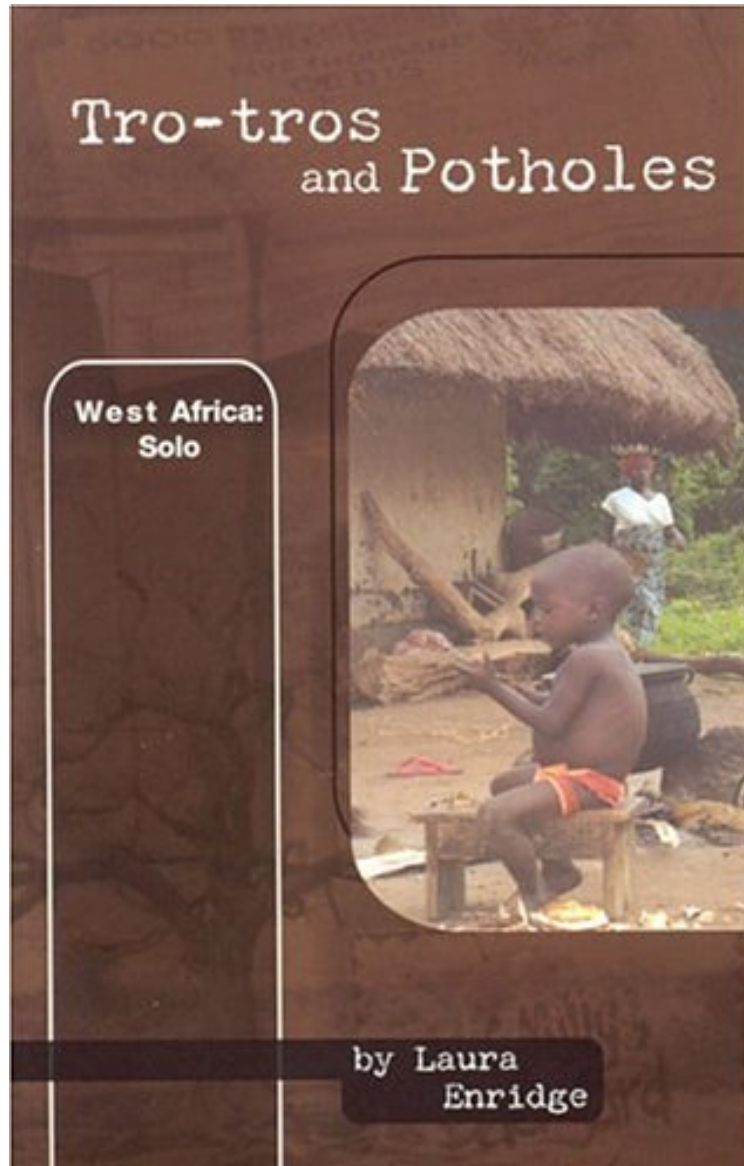


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unaccompanied single woman in her thirties! Her experiences were, shall we say, very down to earth...literally. As in dirt. Mud. Pounding rain. Sweltering heat. Creepy-crawlies. Very questionable food. Ricketty transportation manufactured shortly after the wheel was invented. Yet through it all, her strength of character and delightful sense of humor carry the day. What she discovered, for the most part, is a wonderfully simple-living citizenry that is quite content and uncomplaining and indeed charming in its colorful customs and lore. On the flip side, she can see the frustration involved in trying to introduce progress of any kind into a system that is root-bound by respect for the village elders, who of course are not inclined toward change of any kind. This was not an easy trip by any stretch of the imagination. Grueling is more like it. And it takes an extraordinary individual to pluck out measurable reward from the daily misery of simply getting from point A to point B, or getting fed, or getting clean. Extraordinary as in the fearless Laura Enridge. If I didn't know better, I'd peg her for a good ole corn-fed, kick-ass Texas gal...so I hereby declare her an honorary one! Everyone who loves adventure should read Laura's book; there's nothing better than a true-life one, especially one written by this special lady with such a remarkable and unbiased "joie de vivre". A truly vivid and strikingly detailed memoir, with wonderful photos as well!--Jo VonBargen 20120 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Charming and warmBy XythenWhat a delightful book! The author writes with warmth, exasperation, and delight about her travels in West Africa. She shares her experience as a series of email she sent to family and friends at home during her four month solo trip. Alternating chapters supplement the emails, providing more depth and insight about the people, places, and cultures of the region. Her stories were often humorous, sometimes sad, but always thought-provoking. My only complaint is that I wanted more! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Impressive! By Molly GreeneI can truly say I am in awe of the bravery and openness of author Laura Enridge. The thought of backpacking alone through Africa scares me to death, yet she writes about her travels in a way that not only brought it alive, it made me wish in certain moments I'd been with her. Tro-tros is quite a tale, well worth the read. It left me wanting more and wondering if this accomplished traveler will write a sequel? Love, love love her writing, her sense of humor AND the photos at the end - don't miss this story!

Tro-tros and Potholes is a fun and insightful look at one woman's journey as she travels through lands rich with color, music, scenery, and most of all, people. Enridge brings to life her West African experience in a way that makes the reader feel like they've been on a round-the-world journey without ever having left an armchair.

"an unvarnished diary of her four months of solo travel... ." -- Seattle Post-Intelligencer, March 19, 2004 The result is an extremely intimate, and at many times humorous look into a culture... . -- Laura Moore, The Peak, Oct. 13, 2003 About the Author Laura (Enridge) Zera has lived and worked in Cameroon, Canada, Israel, South Africa and the United States. She's currently writing a memoir about being raised by a mother with schizophrenia and speaks to groups about both navigating life with a mentally-ill mother and adventure travel. Laura's work can be found in Booktrope Publishing's anthology Write for the Fight: A Collection of Seasonal Essays and at GoodFoodWorld.com and CheapFlights.ca. Her first book (written as Laura Enridge), 2004's Tro-tros and Potholes, chronicles her solo adventures through five countries in West Africa. Originally from British Columbia, Canada, Laura now lives in Seattle, Washington.