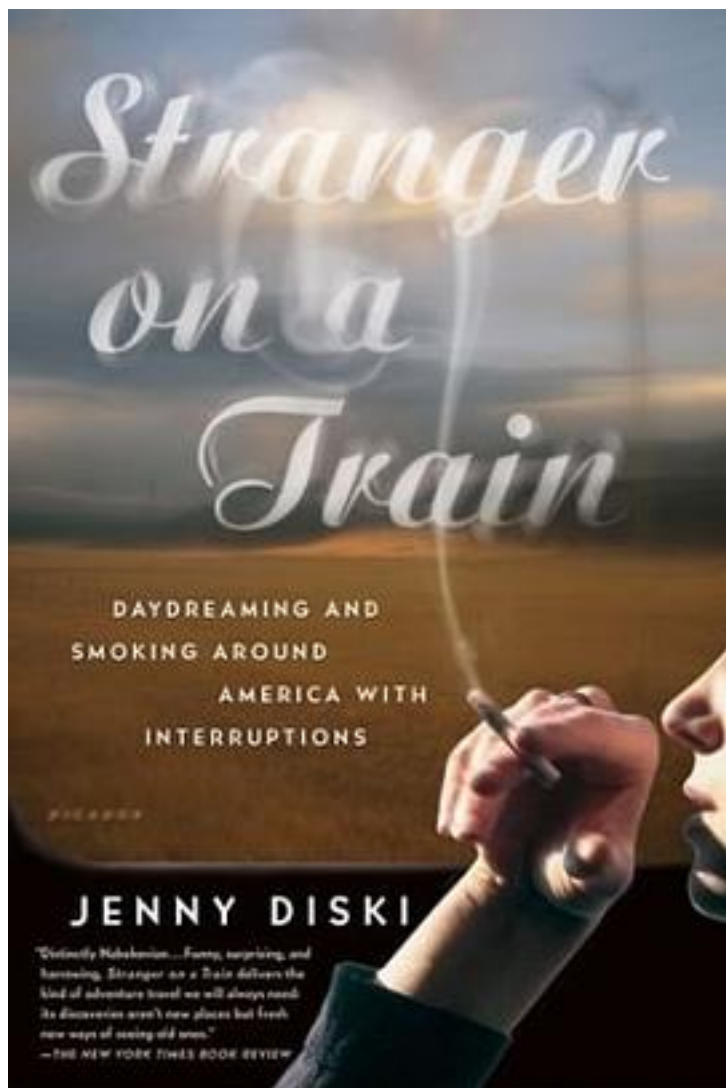


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In spite of the fact that her idea of travel is to stay home with the phone off the hook, Jenny Diski takes a trip around the perimeter of the USA by train. Somewhat reluctantly she meets all kinds of characters, all bursting with stories to tell and finds herself brooding about the marvellously familiar landscape of America, half-known already through film and television. Like the pulse of the train over the rails, the theme of the dying pleasures of smoking thrums through the book, along with reflections on the condition of solitude and the nature of friendship and memories triggered by her past times in psychiatric hospitals. Cutting between her troubled teenaged years and contemporary America, the journey becomes a study of strangers, strangeness and estrangement - from oneself, as well as from the world.

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评论

不同于Bill Bryson的游记，Jenny以一种成熟女性更为理性客观的姿态审视着美国这个奇怪的国家。年近花甲的她将列车旅程同过去生活的每一个瞬间联系起来，精辟地讲述了一个个有关友谊，亲情，爱情，陌生人的故事。十分欣赏作者这种回忆体的游记，一本这样的书会让一次旅行厚重许多，同时也增添了火车带来的那一份历史情怀。

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