



Reluctant Return: A Survivor's Journey to an Austrian Town (Hardback)

By David W. Weiss

Indiana University Press, United States, 1999. Hardback. Book Condition: New. 226 x 152 mm. Language: English Brand New Book. This beautifully written memoir, which shifts smoothly from past to present as it blends memory and contemporary experience, is a story that will resonate with any sensitive Jew. [The book] intrigues and challenges, transcends the personal and becomes a universal statement. -Hadassah Magazine In an astonishing and moving document, Weiss describes his 1995 return trip to the Austrian hometown from which, as a boy, he fled Nazi persecution in 1938. [T]his soul-searching odyssey will reward readers of all faiths. -Publishers Weekly (starred review) A powerful and unusually eloquent memoir of a prominent Austrian Holocaust survivor invited back to face old ghosts and demons. An intelligent and profound memoir. -Kirkus Reviews David Weiss is an eminent biomedical scientist, now living in Israel. But in 1938 he was an 11-year-old boy in Austria who dramatically escaped the Nazis with his family. For some 56 years Weiss held a deep and abiding enmity for everything Austrian and German. Reluctant Return is his account of his emotional return to his hometown of Wiener Neustadt, the remarkable Christian group that brought it about, and the visit's surprising echoes and consequences.



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