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adventurerBy Eivind GraversenI briefly met Matt Blake in Juba, South Sudan, when he cycled through the three months old Republic of South Sudan. I can say that the travel through one of the most volatile regions in Africa on a bicycle is a crazy but great accomplishment. Matt has written a great book about the encounters with all sorts of people, cultures and kindness on this great earth of ours. Matt says he is an average guy (ok at school, mediocre footballer), and everyone could have done this. Bullcrap; Few of us other average guys have the courage and determination to complete such a travel, but Matt did.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. It's like Kerouac meets AkibussiBy alankelleherIt's like Kerouac meets Akibussi. A wonderful and inspiring account of a man that just went for it. I will definitely read this again.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Bike trip around the worldBy D. SimpsonGreat real life story about riding a bicycle alone around the world. I really enjoyed reading about his real adventures.

On the 29th of April 2008 Matthew Blake pedalled away from his front door in England. Leaving with a shiny new bike, a vague idea of how to fix a puncture and a map which could get him as far as Dover, his lack of confidence was apparent in the fact that whilst he possessed dreams of cycling around the world, he had told his family he would be going to South East Asia and then flying home. And that would be if he could get that far. Not only did he make it to South East Asia, he carried on further, finally riding back to his hometown of Banbury four years, sixty-one countries and 46,000 miles later. Returning to England with tales of hiding from volcanoes in Guatemala, camping in winter blizzards in Turkey, surviving by drinking river water for three weeks in South Sudan and eating iguanas for dinner in Mexico, as well as the scars of a constant mental battle from four years' solo travel, Blake discovered numerous heart-warming and humbling stories of the kindness of humanity from all over the world. Mixing his own adventures with stories and history from around the globe, 'I'll be home just after Christmas' is one man's account of a modern-era journey of exploration.