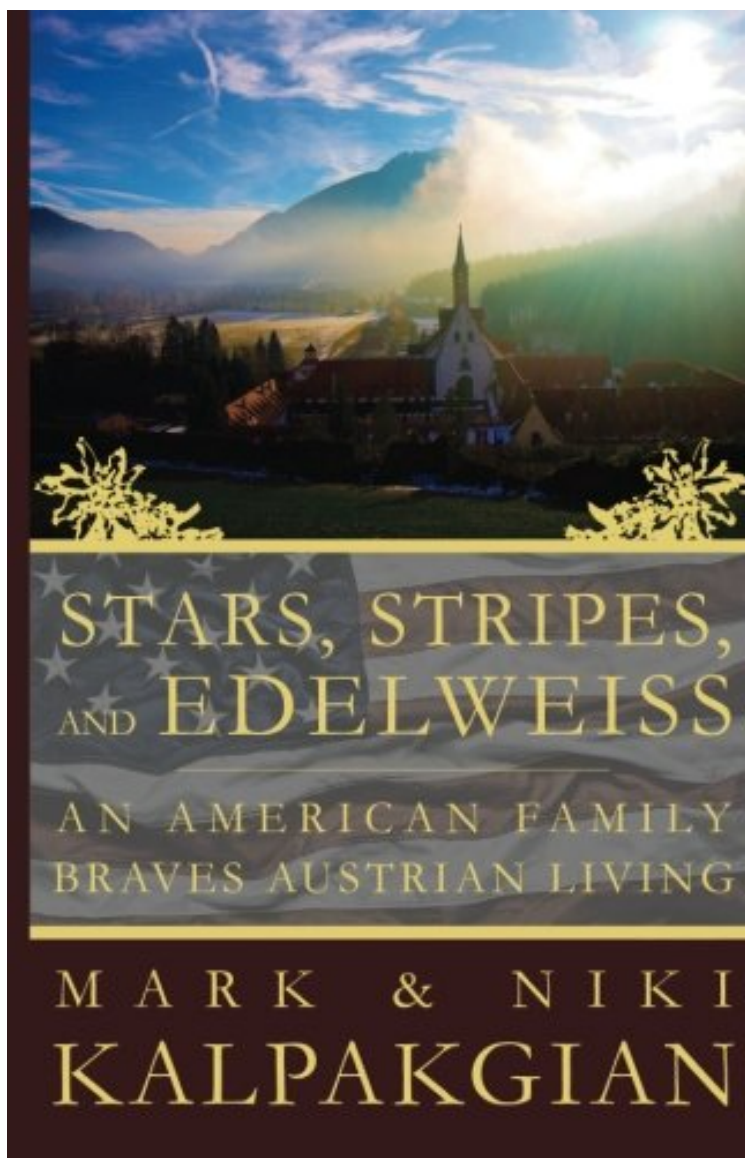


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Finally a book not about living in Italy! By inspirational! I'm originally from Austria, and loved seeing how someone was able to adapt and enjoy living in Austria. Lots of great information and funny stories. I really liked it. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The Perfect Journey from America to Austria By Colleen Martin Stars, Stripes and Edelweiss was a wonderful trip down memory lane! Having been fortunate enough to study abroad for a semester in Austria in 2000, so many thoughts and emotions came rushing back while reading about Mark and Niki's experiences there. I only wish I had read the book before my own adventures, as there was so much I had left undiscovered. They explore the customs and histories of the area, and I learned so much. I thoroughly enjoyed reading about all the cultural differences, missteps and funny trips they had (a naked spa! the trash police! beer and sausages for breakfast!). The Kalpakgians made their journey come alive to the reader, and made me long to visit that area once again. Amazing! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful slice of life in a foreign land By Wife and Mother I won this book in a gift exchange and was immediately intrigued by it. It was such a fun, insightful, informative read. I almost feel as though I lived in Austria with them. It was a great image of life in another country. Should I ever follow in their footsteps, I'll certainly be prepared.

When Americans Mark and Niki Kalpakgian move their family to small-town Austria, they realize this country has much more to offer than "The Sound of Music" and apple strudel. Everyday activities take on a spirit of adventure as they maneuver through language barriers, societal differences and colorful characters. From the trash police to braving a local spa and confronting the spooky Krampus at Christmastime, these real-life stories launch readers into Austrian culture complete with new traditions and customs. This delightful memoir collection of stories covering over five years of life abroad brings together the joys, challenges and rewards to be found in the middle of Europe. By undertaking this journey, readers are challenged to examine life through a different lens and explore new ways of approaching the world.

About the Author Mark and Niki Kalpakgian share an insatiable love for life and adventure. For over five years they immersed themselves into the Austrian way of life while also traveling extensively through Europe and beyond. They currently continue their explorations while living in San Diego with their four children.