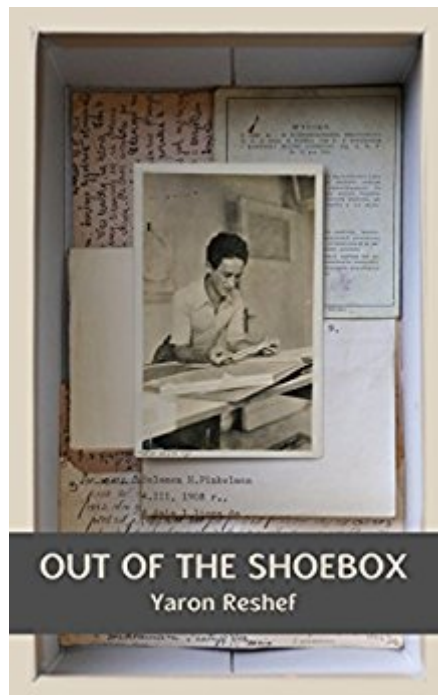


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This book is a real page turner! It is hard to believe it is a true story. I loved this book! My fiancée and I have a ritual that includes reading together every week. I thought this book looked interesting, I wasn't wrong! We loved it! If you like mystery reads, detective stories, historic books, or emotional stories this is the book for you! I love the journal style! Read it! You won't be sorry!

I admit, in order for me to read a book, if my attention is not grabbed within the first few pages, chances are I will not finish it. When I read, "I am certain that I never invited the past to walk into my life," as the first sentence of "Out of the Shoebox," by Yaron Reshef, my instincts told me that I was in for a real treat. By the time I finished this ebook, my initial impression was confirmed. "Out of the Shoebox," is a compelling and heartfelt true story about a man's quest to find answers regarding his family's past. Yaron relays the facts and journey that he sets out on to find new stories, solve mysteries and come to terms with the struggles his family faced during the Holocaust. I will not say too much regarding the actual events and answers found, as I do not want to give any information away, but I will say that the reader finds themselves immersed in the story and shares in the emotional rollercoaster during his travels and investigation. Yaron does a great job at setting up the mental image and you almost feel as if you are a part of the ride as more clues are revealed. The author also includes excerpts and pictures throughout the story which makes his reality all the more understandable. In the entire ebook, characters are explained in exact detail so the story is easy to follow and you know who Yaron is referring to and how they fit into the puzzle. I could go on and on about the raw emotions and coincidences (or fate) that take place during the story, but I will just say that if you are a reader who enjoys reading nonfiction and/or books written from the heart, especially regarding the victims of the horrific Holocaust, then "Out of the Shoebox," by Yaron Reshef is a must read. I received this ebook in exchange for a review involving my honest opinion.

Even though I read many genres of books, my favorite genre to read is non-fiction about the Holocaust, survivors, and how they overcame what they went through. It fascinates me. I just don't understand how anyone let things get so out of hand, turning a blind eye for so long, not to mention those who think it never happened no matter how much is written or even if they are shown video footage of the atrocities the prisoners of the Holocaust endured. I grew up very near to a family who survived the Holocaust, at least the mother anyways, I was too young and never asked what happened. All I remember is the tattooed numbers on her arm, that she was in her 90's and loved to see me dance, so dance is what I did, it brought her much joy. She has been gone many years and most of her children have followed her leaving just one of her Children along with her grand children, great grand children, and I am sure by now great great grandchildren behind. I should ask to hear more of her story. I believe hers may be one that hasn't been told. I loved her as a grandmother, her daughter as a mother, and her grand daughter as Aunt figure if you will. Their whole family is very close to my heart. They are the Meisner's at least that would have been her married name. This book like every Holocaust book I have read has taken me in completely to a different time and place. This book is filled with mystery that unfolds as you read along. Amazing emotion and surprises are throughout the book. This will be a page turner for those who love history, non-fiction, mystery, and a roller coaster of emotions. Yaron does a great job at making you part of the story. I am glad to meet yet another family who endured so much, so that we might remember, that life will go on. I received this as a promotion to facilitate an honest and unbiased review.

I had the chance to read this book through Tomoson. This is a well-written book. Reshef clearly has a gift for storytelling and for language. The words flow beautifully, but in many cases, a little too beautifully. I found it difficult to focus on the story for the flowery prose. I agree with other reviewers who have said that you feel like you're searching along with Reshef, but for me, that was too much detail and too much information. I felt like I was waiting for the "so what" moment, and while the writing was beautiful, it wasn't enough to make up for the overwhelming feeling I got reading it. In some senses I think this was partly because the book is written in 1st person. It reads like a play-by-play. You're privy to every thought, every motivation, and every detail of Reshef's search. As a reader, I prefer to draw my own conclusions. Don't get me wrong - I think this is a great book for the right kind of reader, but sadly, that reader isn't me.

The first half of the book has a goal, and unwrapped as a story. It was lovely to see this man

uncover so much history. The second half became more tedious, but the book remains a solid read and worth it for the first half.

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