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EPUB ? Chickens, Mules and Two Old Fools (Old Fools, #1) ? Weplayit.co

My Rating Solid 3.5 Stars While I enjoyed this book, I thought it fell victim to the malaise that often strikes memoirs of the cookbook variety The narrative, while light and quite readable,

felt overly skimpy and repetitive by book's end. The recipes were presented in a separate section in an effort to not disrupt the narrative. However, the result was that the recipes felt almost like an after thought, just tacked on at the end rather than truly integrated into the telling of events. Such is the nature of the author's dilemma in this genre. Twead's good natured book left me wanting both and less at the same time: details about the preparation of the specific recipes for example and less repetition and ancillary info. The book initially started out well with the narrative and recipes solidly linked, such as in the telling about making tripe for the pudding contest in El Hoya's big romp of an annual festival, but it all too quickly diverged into two disjointed parts. The end effect is like a separated Hollandaise sauce that, while still tasty, falls short of its fully realized glory, all the disappointing since you know the basic ingredients are all there, just not quite properly combined. This book would get 3.5 stars if there was a half star system. Anyway, a light easy read, a bit repetitive for me though, the mention of her husband scratching his nethers must score very highly here, if she wrote it once she wrote it tens of times. I enjoyed the escapades with the chickens and Judith was a hoot, however I feel the author tried too hard for laughs and it just didn't quite work for me.

EPUB ? Chickens, Mules and Two Old Fools (Old Fools, #1) ? Perhaps If Joe And Vicky Had Known What Relocating To A Tiny Village, Tucked In The Alpujarra Mountains, Would Really Be Like, They Might Have Hesitated They Have No Idea Of The Culture Shock In Store No Idea They Will Become Reluctant Chicken Farmers And Own The Most Dangerous Cockerel In Spain No Idea They Will Be Befriended By An Year Old Spliff Smoking Sex Kitten Or Rescued By A Mule Life Is Never Dull As They Embark On Their Five Year Plan At The End Of Five Years They Must Decide Will They Stay, Or Return To The Relative Sanity Of England Vicky And Joe S Story Is Packed With Irreverent Humour, Animals, Eccentric Characters And Sunshine Chickens, Mules And Two Old Fools Was Awarded The HarperCollins Authonomy Gold Star In November Laugh Out Loud Funnyespecially The Spanish Women Heckling Over Eggs From The The Englishhilariousengagingthe Interspersion Of Recipes Is Charming HarperCollins This Is Wonderful I Have Tears In My Eyethe Humour, The Warmth, The JoyI Love This Bookthe Two Of You Sitting On The Sofa In That Dusty Street Listening To Spanish Tunes On The Crackly Radio What A Sight You Must Have Been Aleck Loker, Author Of Books Including Ancient Explorers Of America I Love The Relaxed Writing Style And Easy Humour Of This Great Stuff Denny Gillan, Author Of Will You Love Me Tomorrow Victoria Twead Is A Natural Storyteller With A Knack For Charm And Wit Robin Bayley, Author Of The Mango Orchard Highly enjoyable read Review to follow when I have a bit time I, definitely, want to read the sequel s also when I have a bit time. Victoria Twead's delightful sense of humor engages the reader from page one Her story telling is top notch Along with her captivating narrative, she introduces a creative amalgam of endearing characters In addition, she has added recipes of her favorite dishes Yum Highly recommendedI can understand totally why this book got an award The hilarious characters and the scrapes that Vicky and Joe got

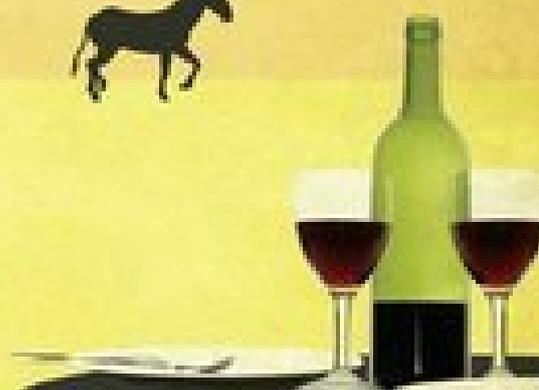
themselves into just had me laughing right to the final chapters If you liked the James Herriot series, you'll like Victoria Twead's take on Spanish life in an Andalusian village Highly recommended, 5 stars My original review must have been lost when I had Goodreads technical problems I thought this was a very charming memoir of the life of a British expat living in Spain I am an American expat doing the same although in a different part of Spain so I could relate to many of the things Twead was saying And those things she said she said well and with humor The inclusion of several recipes enhanced the book even I have recommended it to others, especially my expat friends here a couple of whom have read and enjoyed it a lot. Adventures Galore Sent to 24.04.10 Chickens, Mules and two old fools is the apt title of Victoria Twead's, autobiographical novel about her and her husband Joe's retirement in Andalusia, Spain When Vicky first proposed it, Joe was not so sure The bargain, wrung from a few anxious moments, was they would return to the colder climes of England in five years time if it didn't work out I loved the light hearted, amusing atmosphere, the sense of adventure and of beating adversity as the couple moved from their safe, familiar home in Sussex to a broken down house in a village in southern Spain They set about learning the language and getting to know the remarkable characters that now filled their lives They populated the orchard with chicken, known as the girls, as well as by their unconventional names The girls antics provided no end of amusement I wondered what the villagers did for their eggs before The English came along Well written, the story flowed smoothly through house renovations and fiestas, beach days and jellyfish, processions and puddings Peppered in among the text, the stamp sized illustrations added another interest For those who like recipes with everything, you won't be disappointed Neatly ruled off from the main text are a host of Spanish recipes for you to try I thoroughly enjoyed the read. I give the book 5 stars for its entertainment value. I was lucky enough to win a copy of this book It's non fiction, the true tale of a couple who decide to leave England to retire to Spain There are a few laugh out loud moments, and generally the book made me smile The author made a decision to leave the UK one rainy day Joe, the author's husband, was not sure about the move, so they compromised, agreeing a 5 year plan They would move to the remote village of El Hoyo in Andalusia for 5 years and if it didn't work out they would return to the UK Victoria Twead has a gift for describing people, places and actions so that the reader feels they are actually there She is a fabulous storyteller Chickens, Mules and Two Old Fools is a wonderfully entertaining book I feel as though I know all of the eccentric characters described in the book, and would recognise them all immediately if I took a trip to the village I would recommend Chickens, Mules and Two Old Fools to everyone, it's a real tonic Reading the book I almost felt as if I was on holiday, right there in El Hoyo watching these strange and wonderful characters and animals I didn't want the book to end, and in a way it hasn't because interspersed throughout are traditional Spanish recipes, all of which sound delicious and which I will be trying out Part memoir, part recipe book, this was an easy read perfect for on the beach or beside the pool It was,

perhaps, a little twee in places for my tastes but I wouldn't say I didn't enjoy it I'm sure I'll be reading the rest of the series.

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