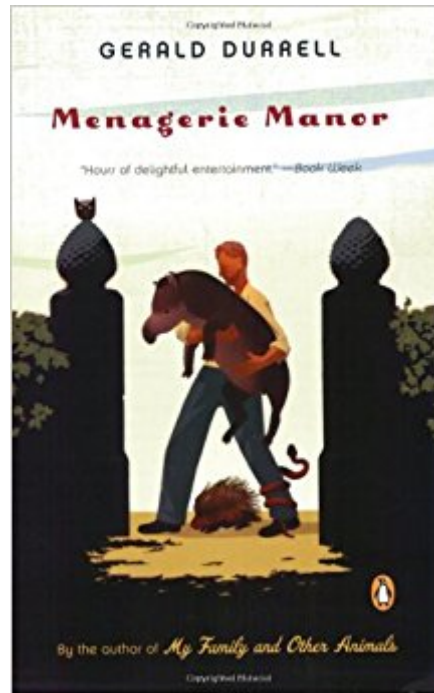




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Synopsis

Menagerie Manor is sure to delight fans of Durrell's beloved classic *My Family and Other Animals* (the inspiration for *The Durrells in Corfu* on Masterpiece PBS) and other accounts of his lifelong fascination with members of the animal kingdom. With his unfailing charm, Durrell tells the story of how he finally fulfilled his childhood dream of founding his own private zoo, the Manor of Les Augres, on the English Channel island of Jersey. With the help of an enduring wife, a selfless staff, and a reluctant bank manager, the zoo grows, and readers are treated to a colorful parade of the zoo's unusual animal inhabitants.

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Animals come close to being Durrell's best friends. . . . He writes about them with style, verve, and humor. (Time) [Hours] of delightful entertainment. (Book Week) This book is a certain joy. (New Statesman, London)

Gerald Durrell was born in Jamshedpur, India, in 1925. A student of zoology, he founded the Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust on the Channel Island of Jersey. His other books include *A Zoo in My Luggage* and *The Whispering Land* (both available from Penguin).

This is a tremendous animal wildlife book that I didn't want to see end. I first heard of Gerald Durrell from the PBS series of *The Durrells of Corfu* and until reading this book had no idea of this great man's work and of the books he has written. I intend to read more of his works and heartily

recommend this one to you.

This is an easy, fast and enjoyable read about animals by a wonderful author. I recommend it to older children and adults who are interested in. Learning about animal behavior and tribulations of starting a zoo/rescue compound.

I have watched the PBS series of the Durrells on Corfu and thoroughly enjoyed it. Then I discovered this delightful book and readily equated the author to the youngest son in the series. This book is every time thing I expected it to be - delightful and entertaining.

Mr. Durrell has never written anything I don't absolutely love. Check out his books about growing up on Corfu with his insane family. They are not to be missed.

I had already read this some years ago and bought this copy as a Christmas present for a seventh grader who said she liked non-fiction. I'm waiting to hear what she thought of it but know she will be delighted as it's so readable and great for all ages. FinnGirl

Durrell has tales to tell about his animals and tells them in a most descriptive way. This is the second of his books which I have read.

I love Gerald Durrell and love the show about the Durrells on Corfu. I felt this book could not have been written by anyone else. Very special-

The writing is so-so, but the stories are wonderful and elevating. I love all of the Durrell oeuvre.

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