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Landour Days: A Writer's Journal

By Ruskin Bond

Penguin, New Delhi, India, 2005. Paperback. Book Condition: New. First Edition. The habit of keeping a diary has led me into trouble more than once, writes Ruskin Bond in the introduction to this journal of a year in his hometown of Landour, Mussoorie. Bond is an inveterate diarist, but over the years he finds that the nature of what he wants to record has changed, for In the autumn of my life, I grow reflective. The events are small in themselves: the daily happenings in Landour, the birds and flowers that each season brings, and the eccentricities of friends and family. Landour itself is a magical world where every month has its own flower, every walker his own style, and the countryside is filled with a beauty all its own though uninvited guests will intrude and evenings at the Savoy Bar are not as peaceful as they might be . . . But in his mind Bond ranges further afield. He ponders on the experience of being a writer, on writers he has known and those that he loves reading, and on critics, handwriting and typewriters. Filled with warmth and gentle humour, this book captures the timeless rhythm of life in the...



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