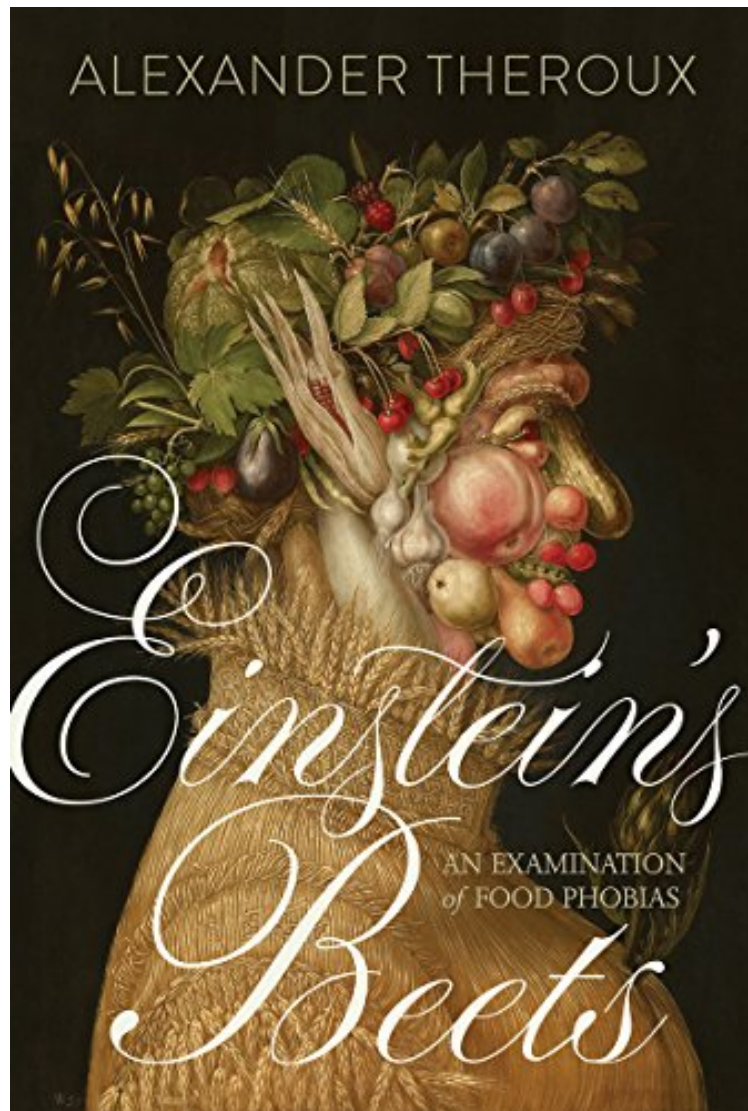


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Alexander Theroux : Einstein's Beets before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Einstein's Beets:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Chris Lydongood book, good delivery service. 0 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Einstein's Bomb By Customer Actually, Einstein is not responsible for the malfeasance of other physicists who used his work to create the mushroom cloud. As to Alexander Theroux's book, "Einstein's Beets", best to eat something very bitter before trying to digest this tome. Yes, Theroux is the Don Rickles of food aversion, insulting everyone and everything in his path in his persnickity narrative. No one is spared except of

course, Jesus. I probably would break bread with Theroux, but when he disparages the Old Testament as that eye for an eye book when discussing Eichmen's food torment by his Israel captors as cruel, he lost me. Yes, he does provide a comparison of Jacob feeding Esau lentils to steal his blessing. Maybe this is sardonic, over my head humor. The problem is that Theroux shifts so quickly from topic to topic, it's hard to digest anything. This is probably his intention. He roasts his brother too; however Paul Theroux is a much better writer. The book is okay for picking up a humorous snippet now and then, but too much at one time and you will feel burned.

This is a prose nonfiction book about food and food aversions throughout history. Britney Spears loathes meatloaf and "all lumpy stuff." Arturo Toscanini hated fish. Ayn Rand despised salads. Alexander Theroux's Einstein's Beets is a study of the world of food and food aversions. The novelist and poet probes the secret and mysterious attitudes of hundreds of people?mostly famous and well-known?toward eating and dining out, hilariously recounting tales of confrontation and scandalous alienation: it contains gossip, confession, embarrassment, and perceptive observations. Prose.