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Karen Flett : Living the Airstream Life before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Living the Airstream Life:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. One of the beat books on AirstreamsBy Mark FreebornFantastic book. Not only for avid Airstreamers but also for those planning to purchase or just want to learn about this American Icon. Karen has done a fantastic job of organizing all of the aspects of the Airstream from history to customizing, to full-timing and media resources, with excellent photos. Thanks Karen, im enjoying my copy immensely0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The author has woven together a wonderful story for 21st Century nomads in search of both ...By Martin R. KimeldorfSo I read this book cover to cover in one sitting and Im not even a camper. The author has woven together a wonderful story for 21st Century nomads in search of both adventure and comfort. If youre one who yearns to escape the daily grind this book is for you.She opens and closes with some terrific personal storiesI mean who enjoys reading prefaces and acknowledgement sections? Apparently the founder of Airstream was born in my favorite 19th century, and he loved travelling with his dad via covered wagon pulled by a donkey. His lifelong passion seems to have to been to continue his life of adventure by designing one of the first mobile homes. While Im not a citizen of the airstream subculture, I can imagine the thrill after reading Fletts book.Across time Airstream has apparently updated that thrill in various ways. The book abounds with quick-read charts showing the evolution of the airstream in size, function, popularity etc. I was intrigued by one version of the craft called a Toy Hauler (An airstream with a flip up back for stowing your kayak, bike, cycle etc). The author includes tips for buying old airstreams, samples of high fashion versions, and DIY-ing your own update of a retro model.This book winds down with many personal short stories about families going on the road and converting home schooling into a mobile experience, artist working from their stream, people setting up glamping (glamor camping) sites, writers and

photographers living out their nomadic fantasies, etc etc. Flett has created the Wikipedia of airstream for the 21st century in her very enjoyable collection of images and words. Who knew? 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Jeff Shafer I do not own an Airstream but have always wanted one. After reading this book, I'm sold.

Illustrated with rare and exclusive images from the official company archives, an authoritative and entertaining guide to the wildly popular, beautifully designed luxury recreational vehicle that has become a cultural icon, embodying the American spirit of freedom and adventure and the ideal in mobile living. With its distinctive silver-bullet shaped profile, the Airstream has been an integral part of the American recreational landscape for more than eighty-five years. Since the 1930s, thousands of Americans have used it as a personal canvas to paint their own unique story as they've traveled the road of life, and today, these stunning, nostalgia-laden vehicles are more popular than ever. In *Living the Airstream Life*, Karen Flett tells the unique story of the designers who have transformed the brand into a mainstay of American life and the dreamers who have found their home, and their heart, in an Airstream. *Living the Airstream Life* is a tour along the diverse roads aficionados have taken in chasing their Airstream dreams. Stunning color photographs featuring new and vintage versions and compelling stories capture the allure of the Airstream and offer advice and insight on the practicalities of adopting this lifestyle. With spectacular photography and compelling stories, *Living the Airstream Life* offers inspiration for those actively pursuing the dream of life on the road whether for permanent living or as a temporary escape from the daily grind and everyone who wants to live vicariously through those who dare.

It's about time, then, that a book on Airstream travel was published. Written by Karen Flett, *Living the Airstream Life* combines both Flett's own photographs with archival Airstream shots. (Vogue) Flett provides a detailed account of Airstream's design and its developments over the years from the 1930s Torpedos to the modern-day Toy Haulers and Limited Edition trailers. She takes an in-depth look at what it really means to live the Airstream way of life. (Dwell.com)