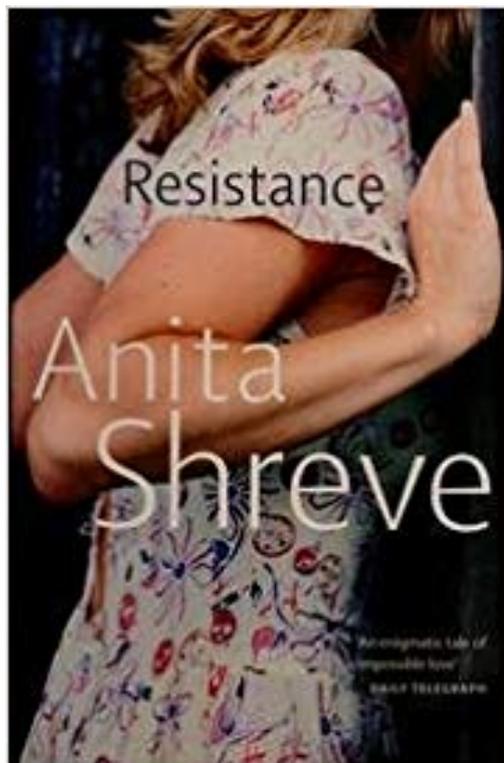


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During World War II, an injured American pilot is cared for in a safe house by a Belgian farm wife who is part of the local resistance, and together they discover passion, self-discovery, and sacrifice



Reviews of the *Resistance* by Anita Shreve

Netlandinhabitant

I am a fan of this author's novels. As always, she writes with great clarity and sureness in her assessment of complex human emotions, engaging the reader in an intimate narrative. It is a talent that enables the author to keep the reader riveted to the pages of this book. She weaves a deceptively simple story about courage, love, and betrayal, set against the backdrop of the horrors and heartbreak of war.

The author sets the story in the war torn, Nazi-occupied Belgian village of Delahaut, where the resistance works behind the scenes to defeat the enemy. While flying on a bombing mission, American fighter pilot, Ted Brice, makes a last minute decision that causes his plane to crash in that village.

When a ten year old boy, the son of a Nazi collaborator, finds the wounded pilot hiding in the woods, he finds a way to secrete him in his father's barn. He then notifies twenty-something Claire Daussois, who has a secret room in her home where she has hidden others during the war, of the pilot's plight.

Claire, along with her husband, Henri, take the pilot in, before he can be discovered by the enemy, and Claire nurses him back to health. When an event occurs that angers the Nazis, causing reprisals amongst the villagers, Henri is forced into hiding. As time goes by, Claire and Ted engage in a brief, but passionate, affair, only to discover that, in war-time, betrayal is a two way street.

Nilarius

For two thirds of this intelligent, well written novel, I was mesmerized. And then Shreve manipulated the characters in order to set up some huge confrontations by sending them, inexplicably, to a village outside the safe house. Their motives for going were weak and unbelievable. Further, the story was at times hard to follow because of abrupt time changes without any transitions.

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Ms Shreve always uses words to create vivid pictures of her characters and the atmosphere, but this time she makes you feel the suspense and the horror of war. She has clearly carefully researched the time period and the geography to enrich the readers experience. This is one of her best.

AnnyMars

after loaning this out and losing track, I had to re-purchase as this is one of my all time favorite books. Amazing story, highly recommend to anyone who appreciates flawless writing and soul wrenching stories.

Beydar

This novel was a page turner. I couldn't put it down. Luckily I was on vacation and didn't have to. I read the entire book in one day!

Ballazan

Just when I think all the stories have been told along comes this book centered in Belgium about the resistance fighters. The writing is so clear and the story very real.

Maridor

This book is so well written. The characters came alive for me and I felt their love and their pain. Few books have moved me so much.

Love everything she writes

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