

## The Aye-Aye and I

By Gerald Durrell

Unabridged

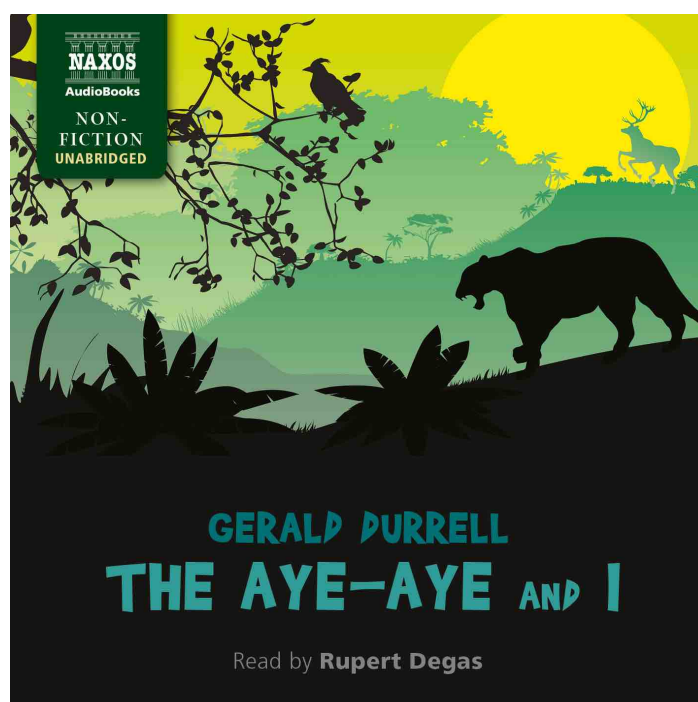
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### DESCRIPTION

Gerald Durrell's last book, *The Aye-Aye and I* records his final animal-collecting expedition, a trip to Madagascar in 1990, and his efforts to save the elusive and mythical lemuroid known as the Aye-Aye. Prompted by the country's radical deforestation, and slash-and-burn agriculture, Durrell, his wife, and their team of zoologists embark on a mission to capture and conserve the species - distinguished by its 'giant, chisel-like teeth', 'round, hypnotic eyes' and large 'spoon-like ears'. During the course of their journey, they encounter golden river snakes, flat-tailed tortoises, the gentle lemurs of Lac Alaotra, and the Malagasy chameleons. Durrell's exuberant descriptions of the island, its people and ecology are among his best.

### SALES AND MARKETING POINTS

- Gerald Durrell's life and career have recently experienced a resurgence of interest with the popular TV series *The Durrells* (also known as *The Durrells in Corfu* in the US).
- Rupert Degas voices Gerald Durrell with perfect judgement, bringing out all the charm and entertainment of his writing.



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