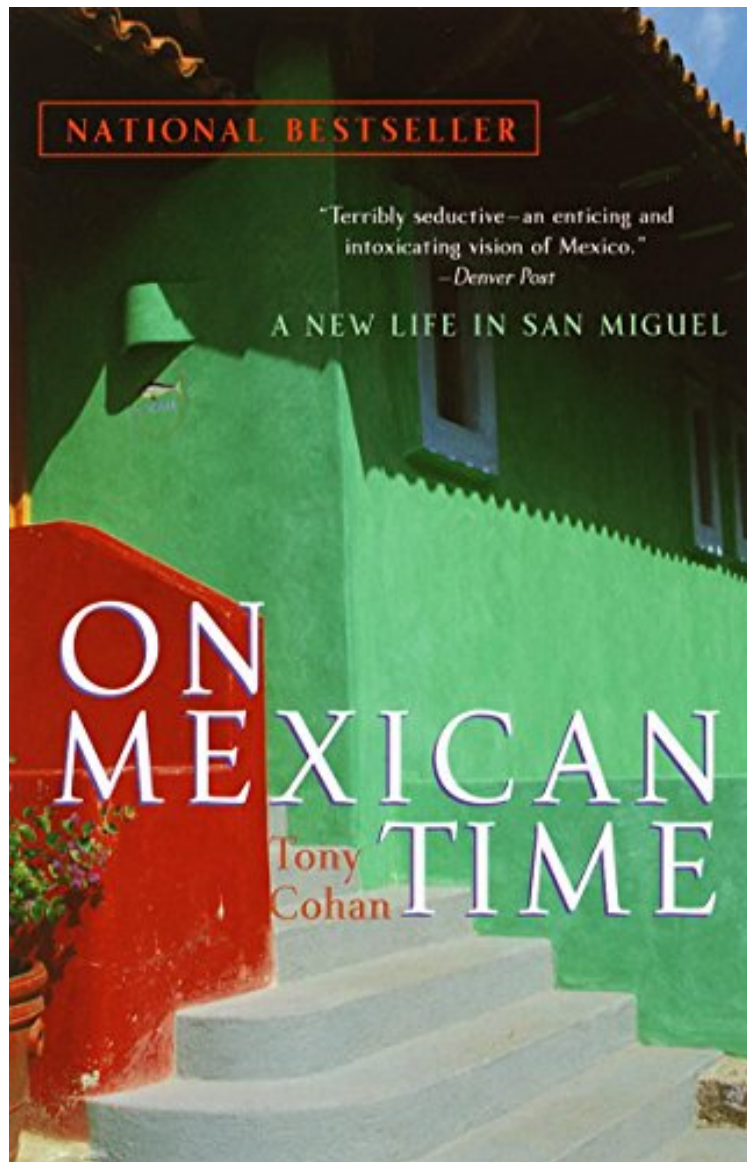


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Kurzbeschreibung An American writer and his wife find a new home and a new lease on life in the charming sixteenth-century hill town of San Miguel de Allende, Mexico. When Los Angeles novelist Tony Cohan and his artist wife, Masako, visited central Mexico one winter they fell under the spell of a place where the pace of life is leisurely, the cobblestone streets and sun-splashed plazas are enchanting, and the sights and sounds of daily fiestas fill the air. Awakened to needs they didn't know they had, they returned to California, sold their house and cast off for a new life in San Miguel de Allende. *On Mexican Time* is Cohan's evocatively written memoir of how he and his wife absorb the town's sensual ambiance, eventually find and refurbish a crumbling 250-year-old house, and become entwined in the endless drama of Mexican life. Brimming with mystery, joy, and hilarity, *On Mexican Time* is a stirring, seductive celebration of another way of life—a tale of Americans who, finding a home in Mexico, find themselves anew. From the Trade Paperback edition.

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