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- A nostalgic three-book series celebrating a slower, old-fashioned way of life
- Vintage cycling memorabilia from across Britain
- Commemorates the bicycle's place in history
- The perfect gift for anyone who loves cycling and bike culture

As the world speeds up, as technology takes over, it is worth remembering how we used to live. This three-book series is a nostalgic hymn to an era when life was slower: a meandering ramble through the British countryside by bicycle, automobile and train.

Squeeze the brakes, sit back and coast downhill with this irreverent collection of cycling memorabilia. **The Bicycle** is packed with pictures, fun facts, and light-hearted commentary, gathering photographs of vintage bikes, John Bull puncture repair kits, and misspelled signs rejecting the rights of 'Bycicles' to be locked to railings. Crossing the country from Cumbria to Cambridge, this quaint, pocket-sized manual is a compendium of all things two-wheeled.

Peter Ashley is an aficionado of British culture, responsible for the *Unmitigated England* trilogy, *Preposterous Erections* (his book on folly towers) and *London Peculiars* (one of the first books in ACC Art Books' bestselling *London* series). Peter is renowned for his passion for the oddities that make this country unique, as Jonathan Meades has said, "He is the gatekeeper to several generations' memories."