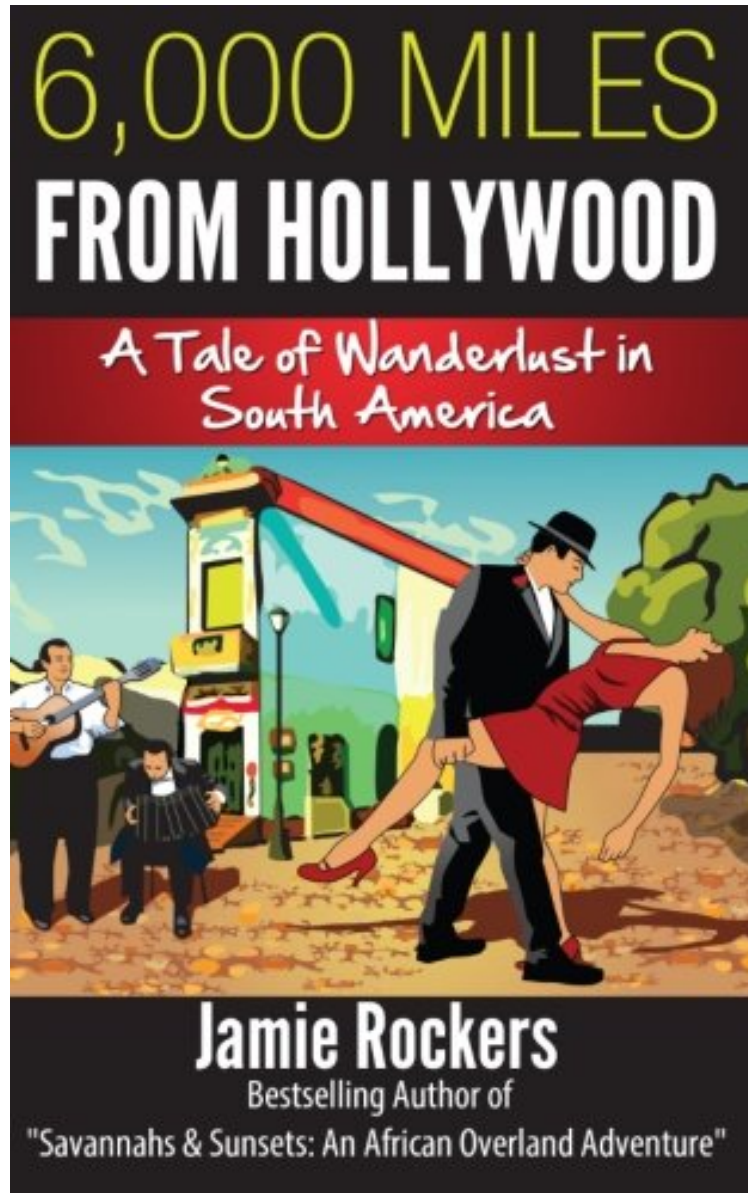


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Jamie Rockers, burned out by Hollywood, decides to cast her promising casting career aside and follows the fork in the road that takes her to the throbbing nightlife and hot spot of Buenos Aires to immerse herself in the language, culture, and tango of the porteos. Buenos Aires, 6,170 miles from Hollywood, seems to her a place bright with promise. Argentina seems like a dream world from afar but the reality is that she arrives in the summer of discontent, when Argentinas financial crisis rocked the country and suddenly, their currency was worth a quarter of what it had been the month before. She sees firsthand how the financial crisis affects the locals and the chaos that follows; protests on the streets where the citizens bang pots and pans, the vandalizing of banks, and the extreme distrust of the government. While this is happening in the background, she meets a handsome tango instructor named Marco who wants to teach her how to tango. Sounds like a dream come true, right? Tango turns out to be harder than she thought however, even though she invests in tango lessons and practices at milongas with Marco. In between learning to tango, she experiences adventures in the Pampas with gauchos, immerses herself in the mystery of Argentinas first lady, Eva Peron, rides through the cobbled streets of Colonia, Uruguay searching for its history, tries to avoid poisonous butterflies in the rainforests of Iguau Falls in Brazil, frolics among the grape fields in Chile, learns about the mysteries of Easter Island, and faces the hardest physical challenge of her life while glacier trekking in Patagonia, five-hundred miles from Antarctica. 6,000 Miles From Hollywood: A Tale of Wanderlust in South America follows her adventures through the magical landscapes of South America and her experiences with the wonderful people she meets along the way.

About the AuthorJamie Rockers is from Garnett, KS and began her traveling career in Argentina in 2002. Although she studied film at Pepperdine University in Los Angeles and worked in Hollywood, she blames Argentina for her continuing wanderlust and for her departure from Hollywood. Since that time, she has studied in London and lived in Japan for four years, where she worked on a number of projects, including as a paid blogger on www.gaijinpot.com, followed by over 2 million people. She has published 16 articles about traveling in Japan in Japan Today at <http://www.japantoday.com/search?q=Jamie+Rockers> She moved to Australia after backpacking through ten countries in Southeast Asia in the summer of 2010 and has currently relocated to London, England. She has explored over fifty different countries and lived in four, from staying with nomads in Mongolia to bush camping in Mozambique to traveling across Russia by train. Savannahs Sunsets, An African Overland Adventure is her first published book. 6,000 Miles From Hollywood: A Tale of Wanderlust in South America is her second book. Visit her blog about life in Japan at <http://blog.gaijinpot.com/author/jamie-rockers> or her website at www.jamierockers.com. You can also find her on Twitter @jlrocker