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Dates From Hell and Other Places is a collection of witty and clever poems describing one woman's hilarious misadventures as she searches for true love. From awkward first dates to bittersweet short-term relationships, readers will laugh out loud as they identify with the author's foray into the world of dating.

About the AuthorElyse Russo is a retired school teacher. She holds a master's degree from the University of New Mexico. She has written articles for the Albuquerque Journal, the Los Alamos Monitor, and the Columbia Spectator. Originally from New York City, she has lived in New Mexico for the past 20 years.