On July 25, 1956, the catastrophic ramming of the Stockholm into Italy’s crown jewel, the luxury liner Andrea Doria, sent shock waves around the world. Eyewitness survivor, Piera Domenica Burzio, exposes the mysterious and controversial calamity that occurred while trying to reach the New World to meet her mother.

The author/survivor sensitively and scientifically recreates the details of her shipwreck—which could have been another Titanic. Thanks to the vivid survivor recollections and previously unveiled scientific data from Italy and the U.S., the author becomes the first shipwreck survivor in history to write a complete account of her ship’s demise.

Highlights:

- World film rights secured
- Featured on CBS “Sunday Morning” with Charles Osgood.
- Best seller in three categories on Amazon.com: ships and shipwrecks, maritime transportation, and admiralty law.
- The New England Book Festival recognized Alive on the Andrea Doria for general excellence, passionate storytelling, and the book’s potential to be read by wide audiences.
- Two documentaries, including “PBS Secrets of the Dead: Andrea Doria,” were based on Alive on the Andrea Doria.
- Recommended for shipwreck research by the marine forensics chairman of SNAME.
- Audio CD version of Alive on the Andrea Doria is now available
- Italian version also available (from the author): L’Ultima Notte dell’Andrea Doria

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