Have you ever been *too* hungry? I bet that hunger never quite made you think about eating a bicycle or an airplane. Though I am unsure why Michel Lotito, also known as Monsieur Mangetout or ”Mr. Eat-All”, began chomping on items such as these, he became famous for it nonetheless.

 Born June 15, 1950, this bizarre performer’s feats involved eating bits of metal, glass, rubber, and other materials. Michel claimed that he began eating unusual material around 16 years old, and performed publicly beginning in 1966.



 There was a method to his madness. Lotito would obviously break the large bits of whatever he was eating into smaller pieces. He did not just randomly take chomps out of passing vehicles. He drank mineral oil to prepare himself to pass bits of this nonsense, and drank water during his “meals”. The oils acted as a lubricant, helping objects go down his throat, and also assisted in the “passing” of the materials later on.

 Michel claimed he had no problem “passing” his unusual diet, and claimed not to suffer any ill effects from consuming materials usually considered poisonous.

[via GIPHY](http://giphy.com/gifs/mom-bowl-rbatmangifs-4y1exOB6e4Pks)

 In his time as a performer, he consumed around 1 kilogram (2.2 lbs.) of material daily, and the list of unusual items that he had eaten is almost unbelievable.

 Some of the more well-known items he consumed include 1 pair of skis, 1 computer, 1 coffin, 2 beds, 6 chandeliers, 7 televisions, 12 teaspoons, 15 shopping carts, 18 bicycles, and countless light bulbs, glasses, and other small items.

 Not bizarre enough? Well, Michel also cut-up and digested an entire Cessna 150 aircraft, which took him roughly two years; from 1978 to 1980.

 That’s right, Michel ate an entire plane.



 Though it would seem that Michel could eat just about anything you offered him, he wasn’t a fan of hard-boiled eggs, and found a food-nemesis that he absolutely would not eat, bananas.

 (Translation) “When I eat a banana and I have metal in my stomach it causes heartburn, and as soft, I hate pain, so unfortunately I can’t eat bananas”. [Source](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ZuFb3GBHuU&t=216s)

 Many doctors examined Michel’s strange behavior, using all manner of investigative procedures, but none explained how it was possible. Doctors worried that even though he could pass the items he would become sick or damage his internal organs, but he continued for years.

 Having such a strange lifestyle, Lotito passed away of natural causes on June 25, 2007, ten days after his 57th birthday. Today, he is buried at [Grenoble](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grenoble) Cemetery.

 Michel Lotito was a naturally bizarre individual, so it’s no surprise I was drawn to investigate his tale. Though he has passed, his incredible feats still bring amazement to those who come across them, and I hope in sharing this that his memory lives on!

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