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GUILLAUME BRACQUEMOND



ME! ME! ME!

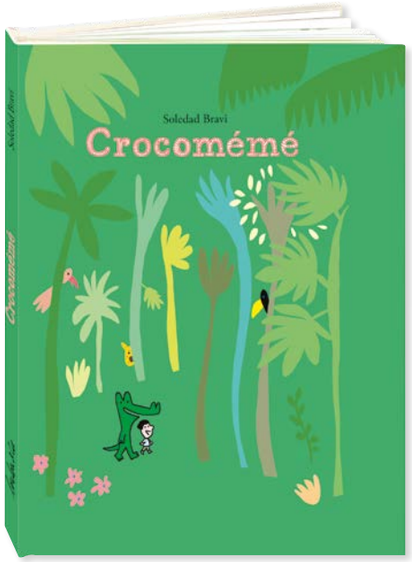
Discover a very large mouse family as the dad does his best to make everyone happy… even himself. A simple and very funny book, with artwork similar to a cartoon.

When Papa Mouse asks who wants to eat a potato, all the little mice cry, "Me! Me! Me!" And who wants the last potato? Me! Me! Me! How will Papa Mouse manage to divide up this tiny potato between all his children?

Age 0-3

Board Book | 30 pages | 160 x 240 mm | €11.50
October 2024

SOLEDAD BRAVI



CROCOGRANNY

Discovering others: getting to know those we've never met or don't understand can help us overcome our prejudices and… open up!

Today, Croco is meeting up with his friend Carlos to go visit his grandmother Crocogranny, who lives in the jungle. Along the way, Carlos, who has never been to the jungle, has lots of questions about the plants and animals they meet. Croco patiently answers them all. When they finally arrive, Crocogranny is swimming in the pond with Croco's cousins. At first, they're tempted to take a little bite out of Carlos, but luckily Croco explains that that's just not done. A wonderful afternoon at Crocogranny's is about to begin!

Age 3+

Hardcover | 52 pages | 150 x 190 mm | €12.50
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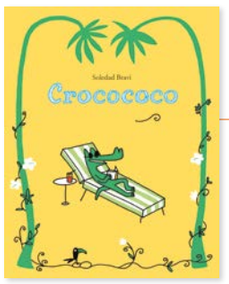
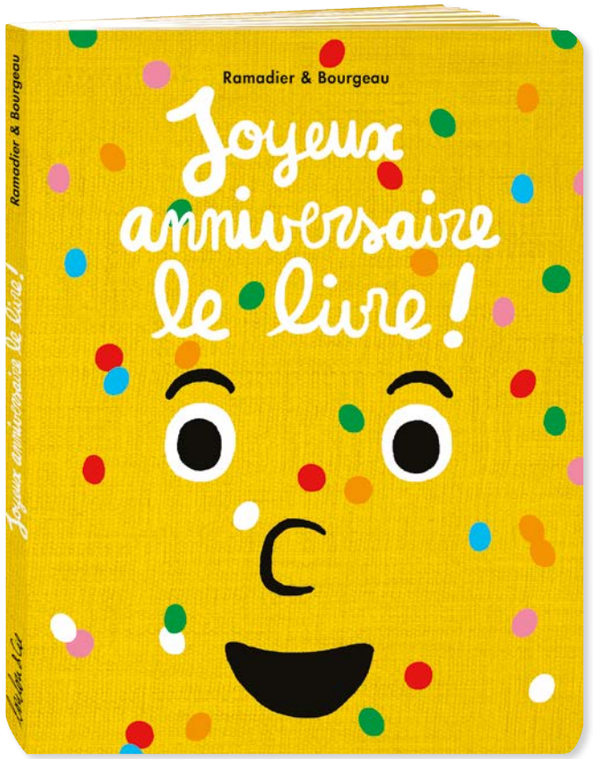


CROCOCOCO Series
2 titles

BOURGEAU & RAMADIER





HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BOOK!

The tenth and very last title in the Book series: let's celebrate it! Children are invited to help prepare for the book's birthday.

The book is asleep, so his friend the mouse is preparing a wonderful surprise for his birthday. She decorates the room with colorful streamers, bakes a cake, invites his friends, and… what do we say when it's someone's birthday?

Age 0-3

Board Book | 20 pages | 185 x 240 mm | €11
Author: Cédric Ramadier
Illustrator: Vincent Bourgeau
September 2024





THE BOOK Series
10 titles, 1 bath book & 1 game

SOLD
Chinese (Complex & Simplified), Dutch, English, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Portuguese (World), Russian, Spanish (World), Vietnamese

337,000 copies sold in France

ELLA CHARBON

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ZÉLIE GETS ANGRY

A book that explores all the complex emotions children can experience when they get angry, and how they can learn to manage them on their own.

Sometimes, without even realizing it, we start to get very, very angry and we feel like shouting or crying! Luckily, Zélie can hug her cuddly toy, listen to some gentle music, smell her mother's perfume as she pulls her close, and feel her gentle kisses. Whew! Zélie isn't angry anymore!

Age 2+

Board Book | 24 pages | 170 x 200 mm | €11.50
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ZELIE Series | 4 titles

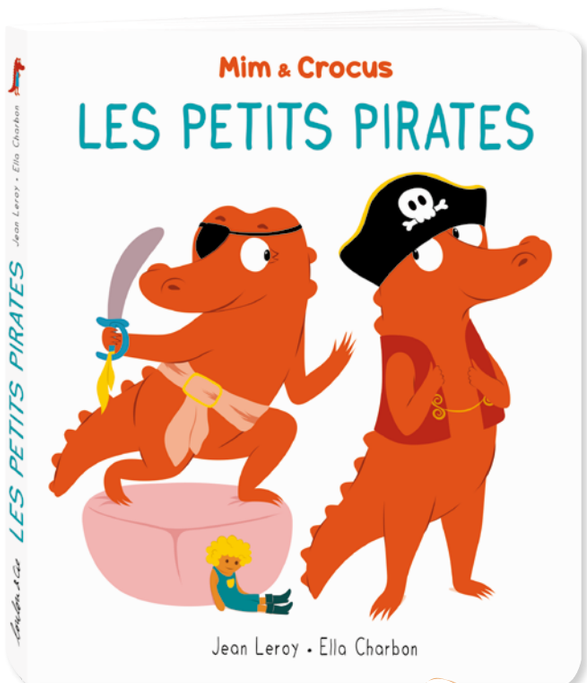
SOLD
Chinese (Simplified)

10,000 copies sold in France









MIM AND CROCUS: LITTLE PIRATES

A story that turns prejudice on its head with a stay-at-home father, games without stereotypes, and powerful subjects to discuss with children: lies, boredom, bad words, being scared of bugs...

Today, Mim and Crocus are Captain Mim and Captain Crocus, aboard their ship-bed. Their mom, who would like to play with them, draws a beautiful treasure map. Off they go on a treasure hunt! And what a treasure it is!!!

Age 0-3

Board Book | 34 pages | 170 x 200 mm | €11.50
Author: Jean Leroy
Illustrator: Ella Charbon
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MIM & CROCUS Series | 8 titles

SOLD
Dutch, Italian

77,000 copies sold in France









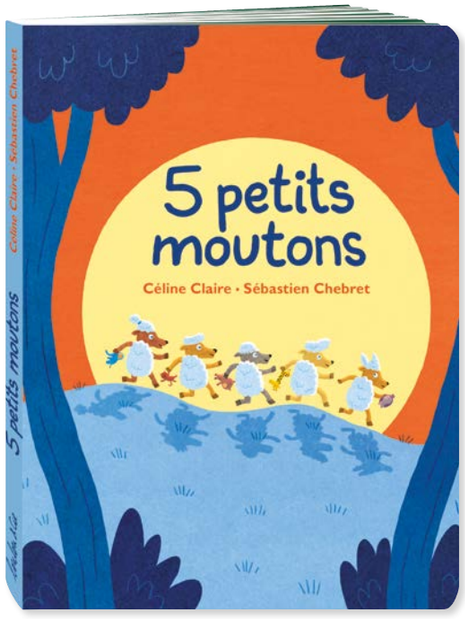








SÉBASTIEN CHEBRET



5 LITTLE SHEEP

A light and humorous tone to reinfoce the idea that "We are stronger togehter".

Five little sheep are playing in the woods, but they have to hurry off to bed before the sun sets, because the wolf leaves his house when night falls. Oh no! They forgot their cuddly toys in the woods and the wolf has taken them back to his house to cook them up for his supper. So the five little sheep come up with an idea to save their cuddly toys…

Age 0-3

Board Book | 26 pages | 165 x 220 mm | €11.50
Author: Céline Claire | Illustrator: Sébastien Chebret
September 2024



ÉLO



NOT THE PLAN…

The importance of optimism in daily life: despite a series of mishaps, our friends always come up with solutions!

Rabbit is generally fairly easy-going, unlike his friend Bear, who grumbles and gripes when things don't go according to plan. Bear has been in a bad mood all day long because of little mishaps. Rabbit, on the other hand, tries to see the silver lining… How will this day of unexpected setbacks end for Bear?

Age 0-3

Board Book with Cuts | 20 pages | 195 x 235 mm | €12.50
September 2024

HARUKA HARRIS



THE RECIPE FOR A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS

Dive into the magical and enchanting world of Christmas, with its preparations and moments of simple and overflowing joy.

Timothy, the little fox who knows everything, explains all the things you need to do for an unforgettable Christmas. First you have to write a letter to Santa, then decorate the tree, bake cookies, read Christmas stories next to the fireplace… Then while you're asleep… maybe Santa Claus will come by!

Age 2+

Board Book | 26 pages | 165 x 165 mm | €11
Author: Angélique Leone
Illustrator: Haruka Harris
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TIMOTHY'S GOOD IDEAS Series | 3 titles

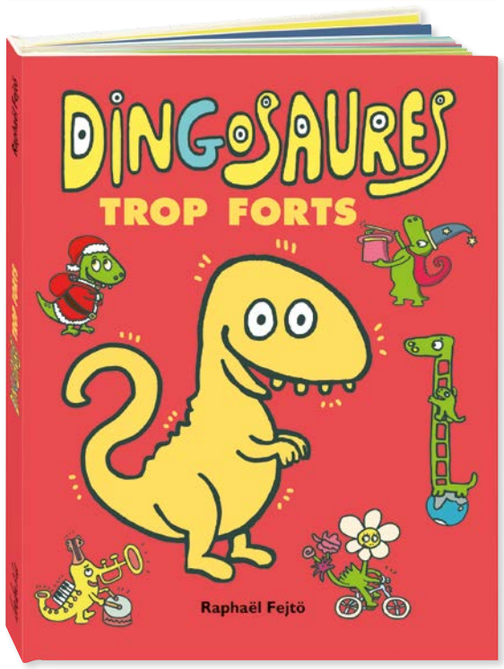
10,700 copies sold in France







RAPHAËL FEJTÖ



AMAZING ZANYSAURS

The humor and silliness of these zany imaginary dinosaurs, from their heads to their toes.

This is the encyclopedia of the zaniest dinosaurs, such as the Snailosaurus, who is as small as a snail, or the Cuddlysaurus, who loves hugs, or the Subwaysaurus, who transports lots of dinosaurs underground! Who knows, maybe we would have met them if we'd lived millions of years ago!

Age 3+

Hardcover with Flaps
56 pages
180 x 220 mm
€12
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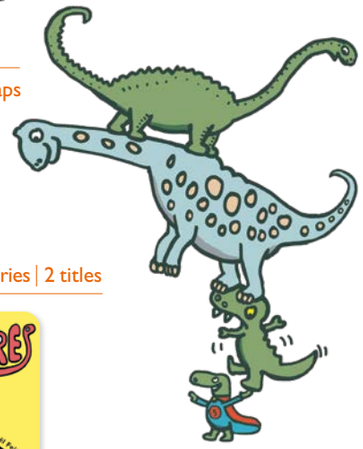
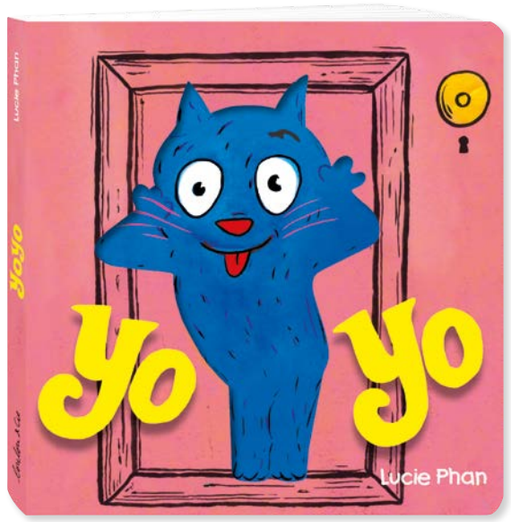


DINGOSAURES Series | 2 titles



LUCIE PHAN



YOYO

A playful and interactive book about "magic kisses"!

Yoyo is a very special cat because every time someone gives him a kiss, he gets bigger! The more kisses you give him, the bigger he gets! Watch out! He's going to get too big for the book! How can we help him return to his normal size?

Age 0-3

Board Book with Flaps & Cuts | 26 pages
145 x 150 mm | €10
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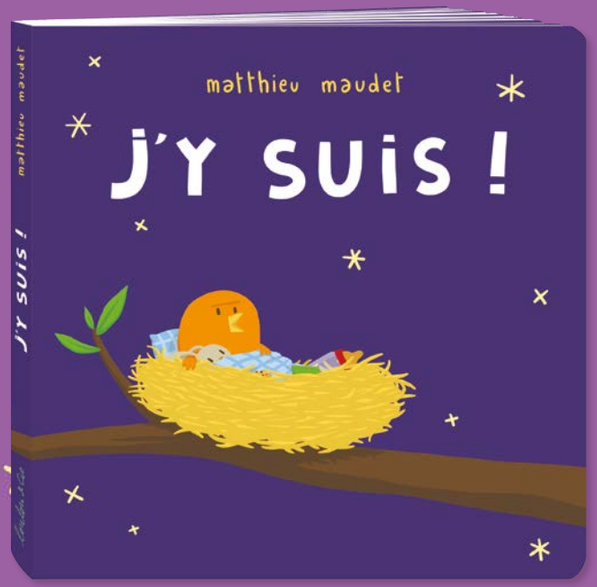
MATTHIEU MAUDET



HERE I AM!

The eagerly awaited sequel to Here I Go!, *a very emblematic title for the Loulou & Cie catalog.*

After *Here I Go!*, it's time for *Here I Am!* Where? In the little nest, getting ready to go to sleep. Here comes Mom for a cuddle. Then Dad brings the last bottle. And Grandpa plays some music… Everyone comes by to see the baby bird before he falls asleep. When he needs a kiss, everyone comes running back!

Age 0-3

Board Book | 26 pages | 190 x 190 mm | €11
October 2024

HERE I GO Series | 2 titles, 1 Bath-book & 1 game

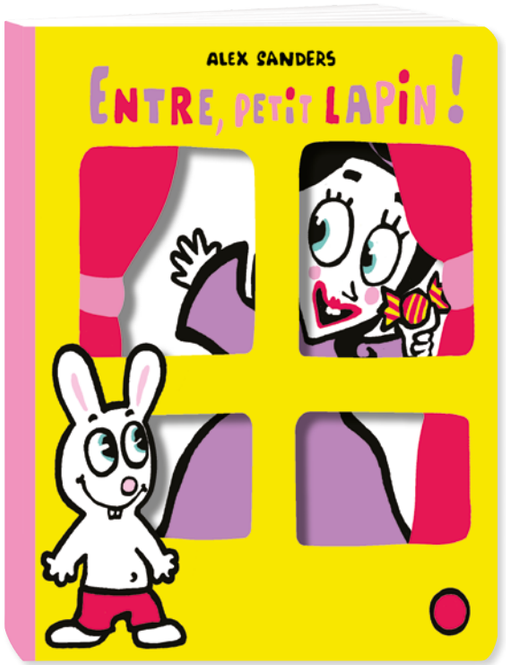
SOLD
Chinese (Complex & Simplified), Dutch, Hebrew, Italian, Korean, Portuguese (SA), Spanish (World), Swedish, Turkish

More than 150,000 copies sold in France





ALEX SANDERS



COME IN, LITTLE BUNNY!

A positive moral that emphasizes the importance of helping one another and adopting solidarity in the face of adversity.

A funny lady wants to give Little Bunny some candy. He can't resist! So he goes into the house, and steps up to the cauldron… But the lady is starting to look more and more like a witch! Luckily, Cat is there to warn Little Bunny!

Age 0-3

Board Book with Cuts | 14 pages | 175 x 180 mm | €13
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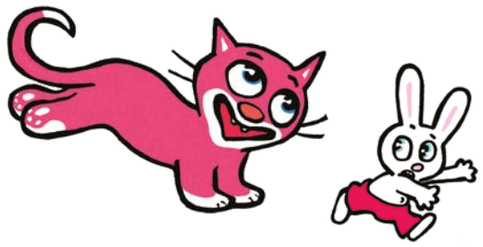

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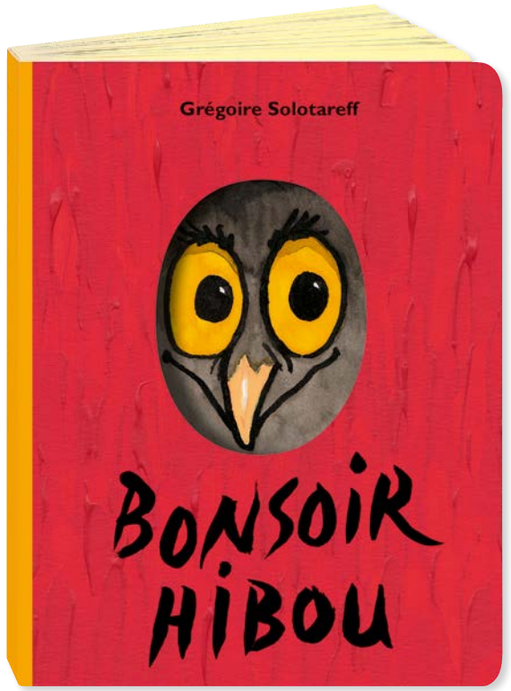

GOODNIGHT, OWL

A book that poetically and playfully points out the differences between getting up and going to bed, and between the sun and the moon.

When it's time for you to go to bed, it's time for Owl to get up! He gets dressed to leave his house while you're getting ready for bed. Watch out, he's about to fly away! But haven't you forgotten something, Owl?

Age 0-3

Board Book with Cuts | 18 pages | 140 x 180 mm | €13
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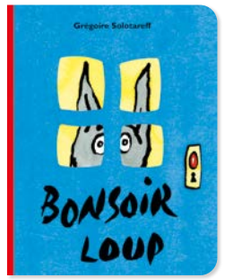
GOODNIGHT Series | 2 titles



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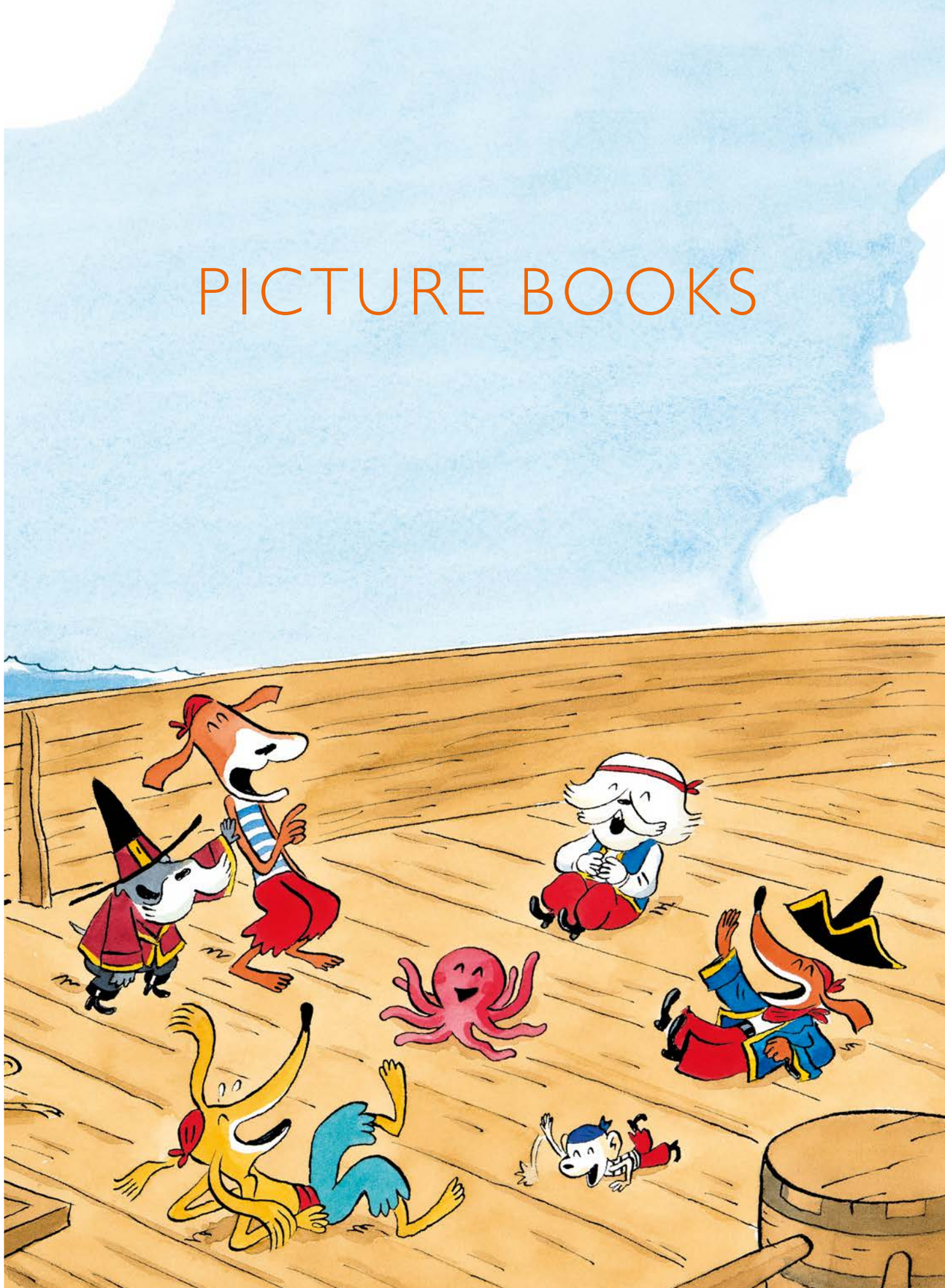

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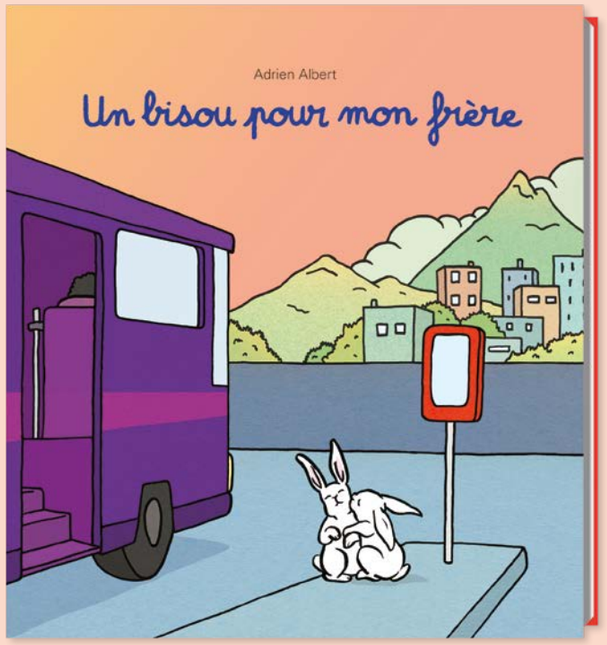

A KISS FOR MY BROTHER

A wild adventure, especially for a little bunny.

Tobold, Simon's big brother, came to town to spend the day with him. It was a wonderful day, full of all kinds of happy moments. They had so much fun, that when it was time for Tobold to leave, he was late for the last bus and didn't have time to give Simon a goodbye kiss! Luckily, the journey's twists and turns as well as a stroke of luck will allow him to see his brother again…

Age 3+

Hardcover | 36 pages | 210 x 230 mm | €13.50
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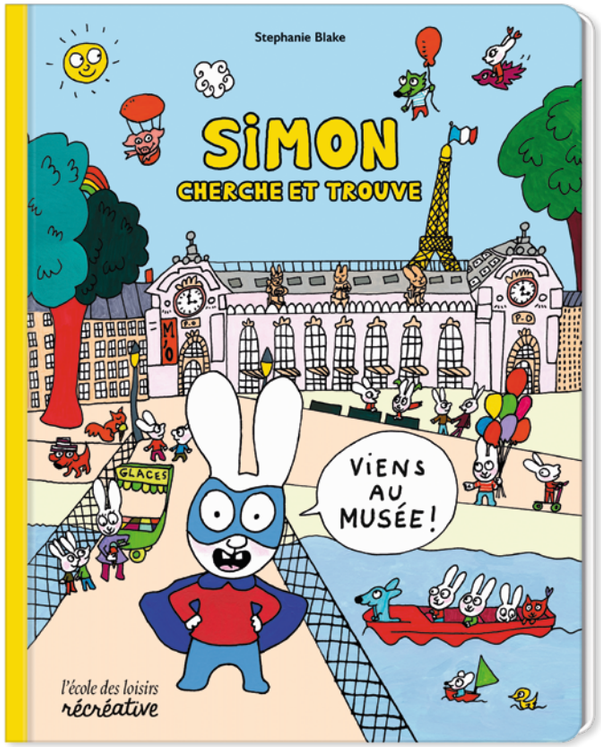
SIMON & TOBOLD Series | 3 titles

17,000 copies sold in France





STEPHANIE BLAKE



SIMON'S SEEK-AND-FIND AT THE MUSEUM

Dive into the pages of a giant seek-and-find book, and set out to discover a captivating place.

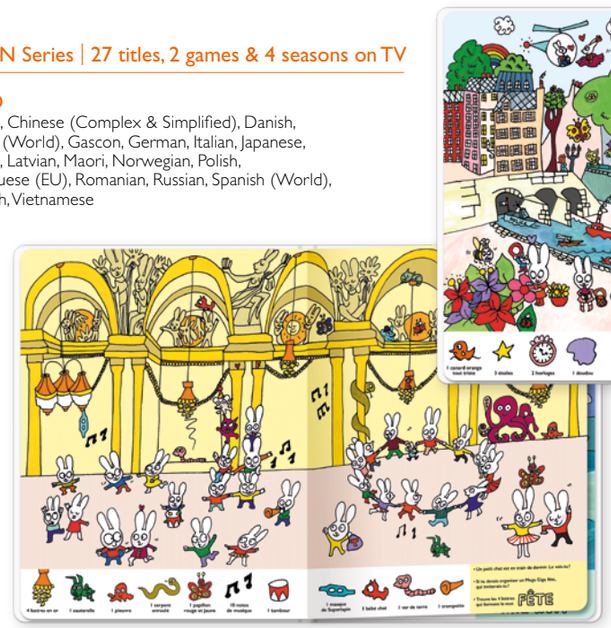
Meet up with Simon, Gaspard, Lou and all their friends for an extraordinary field trip to the museum! With Simon as your guide, explore paintings, sculptures, and art in all its forms.

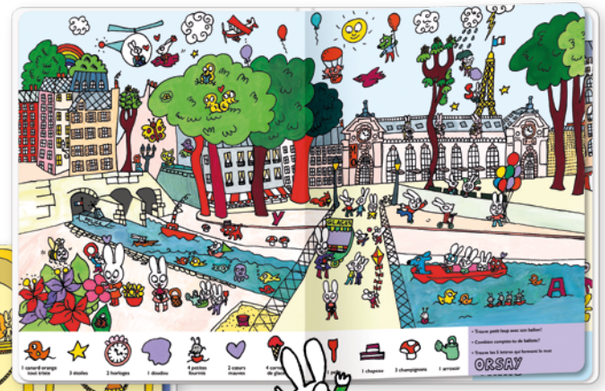
Age 3+

Hardcover | 16 pages | 250 x 320 mm | €13.50
October 2024

SIMON Series | 27 titles, 2 games & 4 seasons on TV

SOLD
Basque, Chinese (Complex & Simplified), Danish, English (World), Gascon, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latvian, Maori, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese (EU), Romanian, Russian, Spanish (World), Swedish, Vietnamese







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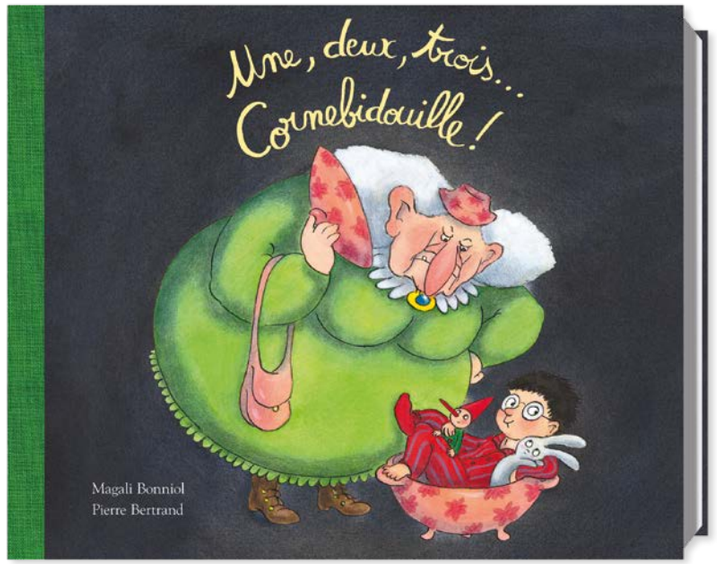


ONE, TWO, THREE… CORNEBIDOUILLE!

For fans from the outset, and lucky youngsters who will finally meet our favorite witch!

Pierre's father has threatened him: if he doesn't eat all his soup, the Witch Cornebidouille will come to scare him in his room at night! And that's just what happens. Thus begin his adventures with this famous witch. Over the course of three stories, little Pierre stands up to her, outsmarts her, and thinks up strategies to trap her, flush her down the toilet, get her chopped up by his mother… And he still doesn't want to eat his soup!

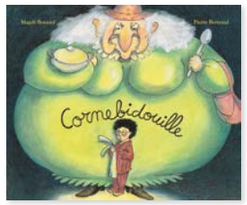
Age 3+

Hardcover | 112 pages
270 x 220 mm | €29.90
Author: Pierre Bertrand
Illustrator: Magali Bonniol
October 2024

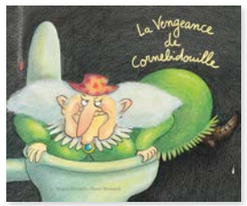
CORNEBIDOUILLE Series | 6 titles

SOLD
Catalan, Chinese (Simplified), Dutch, Italian, Romanian, Spanish (World)

More than 1,850,000 copies sold in France







BONUS
Unpublished drawings and an interview of the authors led by Cornebidouille.



DELPHINE BOURNAY



WHERE'D DAD GO?

The effervescent humor and liveliness of the dialogues. A gentle look at children's energy and overflowing imaginations.

School is done for the day, and Dad is picking up little Awa. Blablabla… She immediately starts to tell him all about her day in great detail. But Dad has just finished working for the day too. And he'd like to enjoy some peace and quiet. But Awa is on a roll. Suddenly, Dad disappears! Where did he go? Only his hat is left! Luckily, Awa's friends know where he is…

Age 3+

Hardcover | 48 pages | 230 x 200 mm | €14
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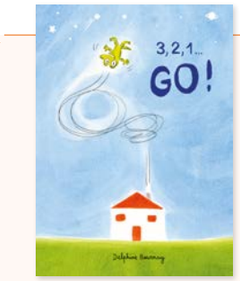



15,000 copies sold in France

SOLD
Basque, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean

CHEN JIANG HONG



DRAGON FLOWER

Thanks to her bravery, Mae manages to save the dragon's son as well as her sick mother.

For months, Mae's family has been traveling the land, searching for a remedy for her mother, who is mortally ill. An incredibly rare flower could save her. Mysteriously guided by a glowing light, Mae finally finds it in the hollow of the mountain. But it belongs to a terrifying red dragon. Luckily, he also needs her help to save the life of someone he holds dear…

Age 3+

Hardcover | 48 pages | 285 x 280 mm | €16
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The Year of the Dragon!

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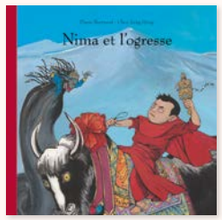

SOLD
Italian, Japanese



SOLD
Chinese (Complex & Simplified), Danish, English, German, Icelandic, Italian, Japanese, Khmer, Portuguese (SA), Spanish (EU), Swedish

83,000 copies sold in France



SOLD
German, Italian, Japanese

14,300 copies sold in France

NATHANIEL H'LIMI



BONUS
A 18-minutes audio story.

JOHN-CAT CAN SEE IN THE DARK.

A poetic and luminous nighttime quest as Hector searches for his cat.

Tonight, Hector is having trouble falling asleep. John-Cat, his beloved pet, who is usually curled up at the foot of his bed, went missing this afternoon. Hector is very worried and decides to go out into the night to look for him. A gentle song guides him… as though John-Cat were talking to him, helping him to see in the night, opening up his ears, looking for his gold-colored eyes, and finding him in the Milky Way.

Age 3+

Hardcover | 64 pages | 297 x 210 mm | €18
Author: Sabine Zovighian
Illustrator: Nathaniel H'Limi
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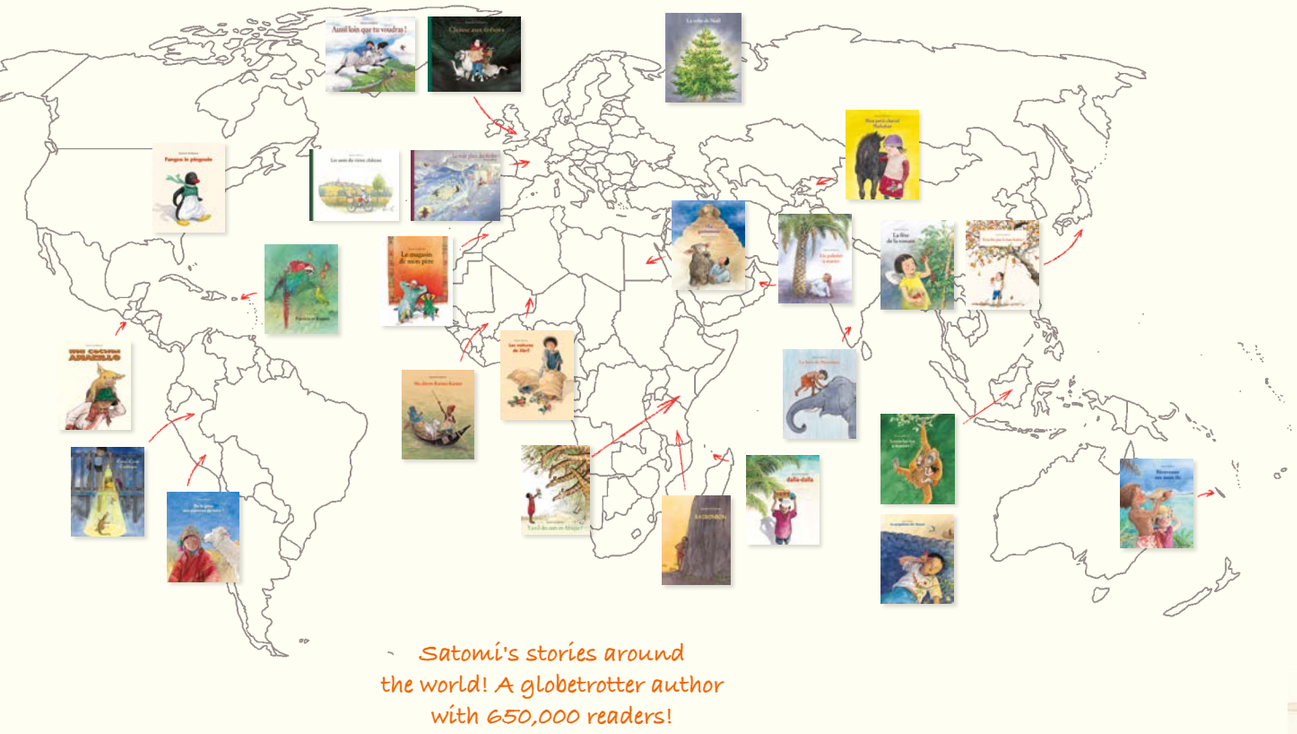
SATOMI ICHIKAWA



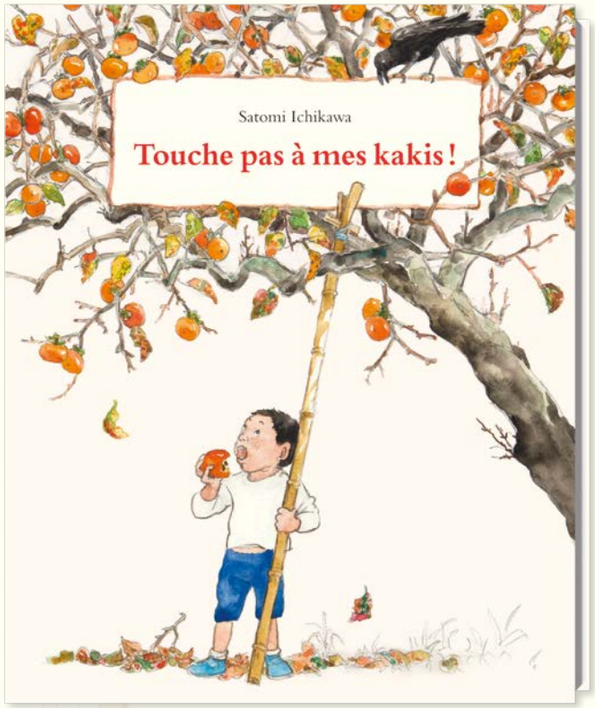
Satomi's stories around the world! A globetrotter author with 650,000 readers!



Many people wish they could approach life like Satomi Ichikawa, but few dare to do it.

A daring, cheerful, and refined adventurer dressed to the nines, at the age of 20 she left her family, Japan, tradition, and a preordained path to free herself, create, and speak to us. In this new biographical book, you will learn a little more about the discrete Satomi, whose name means "beautiful native country" in Japanese, and who turned Paris into her adopted home, and the entire world into her land of choice.

SATOMI ICHIKAWA



DON'T TOUCH MY PERSIMMONS!

Did you know that there are 2 varieties of persimmons – astringent or non-astringent – which are not eaten in the same way?

Persimmons are so delicious that, as soon as fall comes to Japan, crows and children compete for the ripest ones. But crows can fly, which is quite the advantage! Luckily, Ken-tchan's grandparents have plenty of tricks and tips to help the little boy enjoy the fruit along with his friends. Because they also know that persimmons are important for getting through the winter months in good health.

Age 5+

Hardcover | 36 pages | 215 x 265 mm | €14
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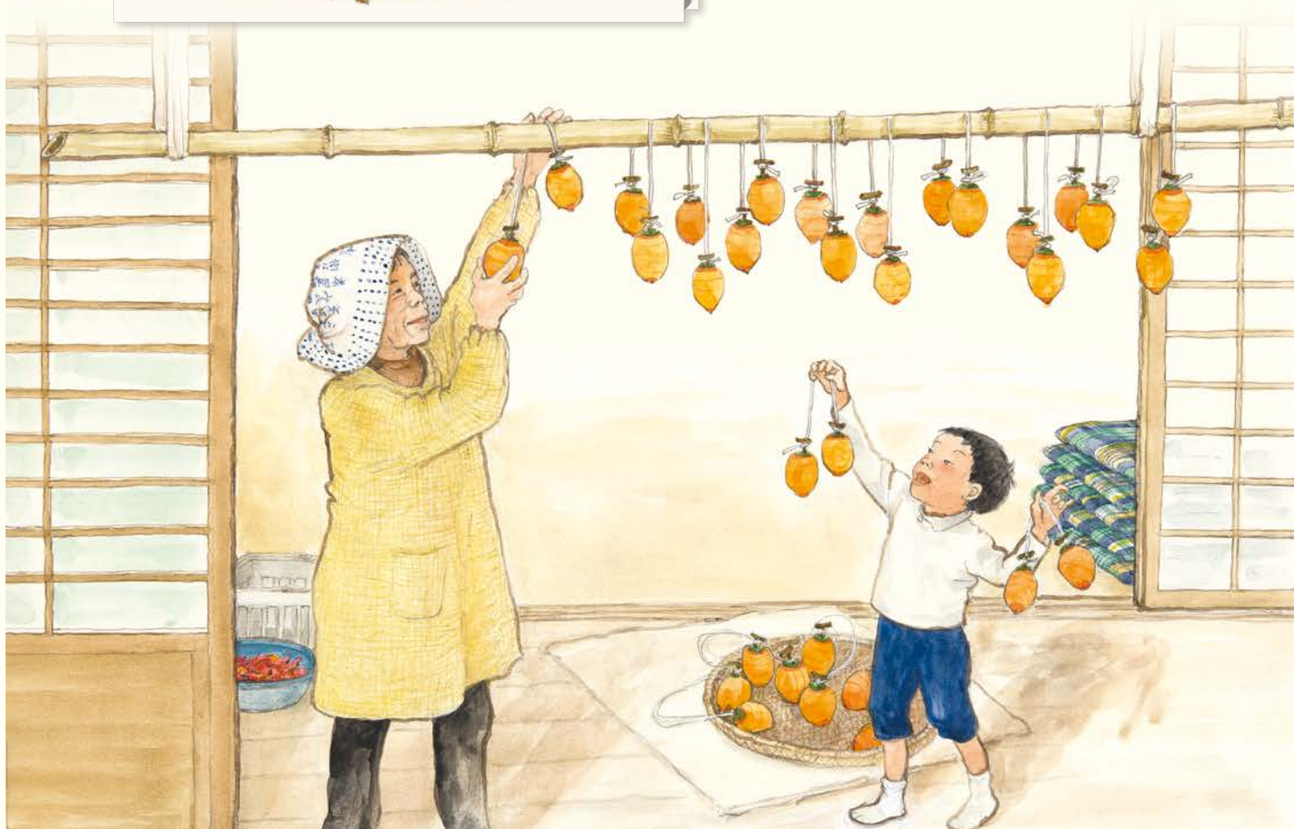

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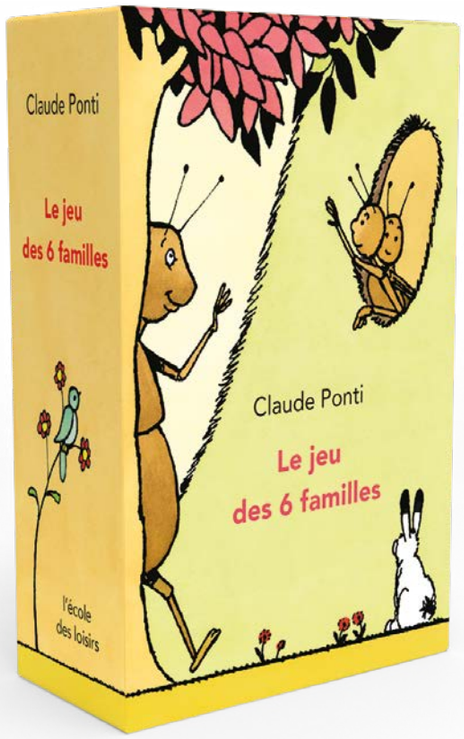



THE 6 HAPPY FAMILIES GAME

An original and fun card game for the whole family!

In this attractive box, you'll find 6 series of 7 cards. Each series features 1 family: the Feasters, the Alwayshers, the Dweams, the Quicks, the Nappynappers, and the Strong Amazings. But pay attention! These families are different and singular. Each one has its own style, its own favorite activity, and its own unique composition. Playing a game with Claude Ponti is perfect for discovering all the possible ways of being a family!

In addition to the 42 cards, as a bonus, discover the personal stories of the 6 families, printed out on separate leaflets.

When you place the 7 cards of an animal family next to one another, they form a complete scene.

Age 5+

Box | 43 cards & 6 leporellos | 138.5 x 91.5 x 45 mm | €15.90
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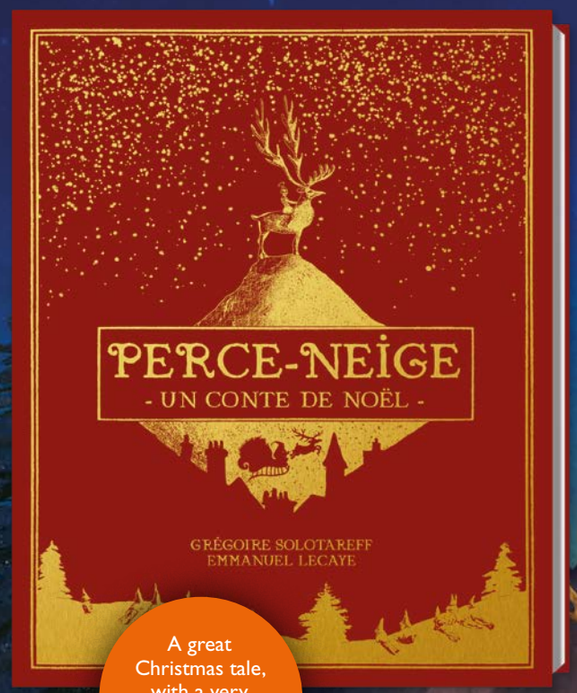
Chinese (Simplified)



GRÉGOIRE SOLOTAREFF & EMMANUEL LECAYE



A great Christmas tale, with a very quick pace, like an animated film.

SNOWDROP
A CHRISTMAS TALE

What if Christmas was saved by one brave little girl?

When she falls into a crevasse, Snowdrop lands in the kingdom of the Christmas Brothers and their elfs. In this enchanting world, the inhabitants only eat cake and only ever talk about toys… and nobody ever grows up, because time has stopped. But humans are strictly prohibited, and the little girl's presence will turn this overly ordered world on its head. Friendship, betrayal, brawls, lethal poison… What won't it take to save the magic of Christmas?

Age 5+

Hardcover | 80 pages | 220 x 280 mm | €22
Authors: Grégoire Solotareff & Emmanuel Lecaye
Illustrator: Grégoire Solotareff & Emma McCann
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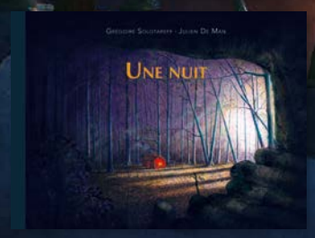

SOLD
Turkish



455,000 copies sold in France

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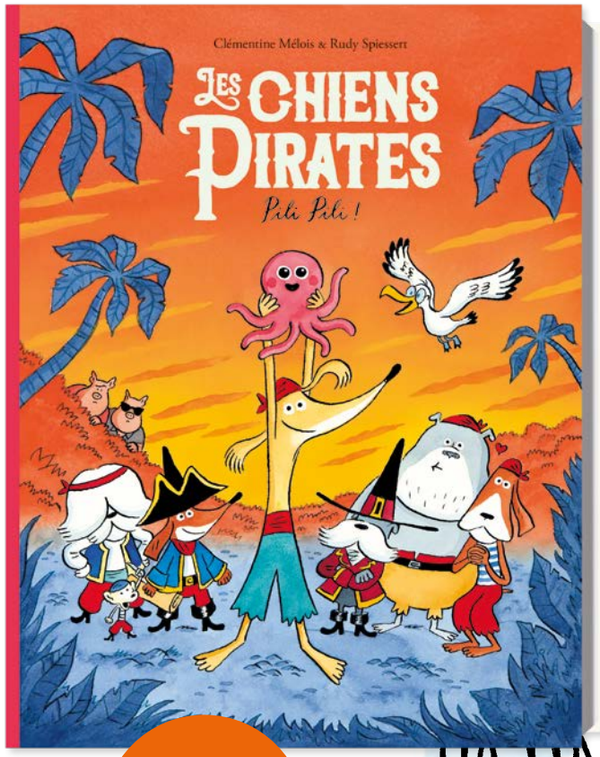
German, Greek

CLÉMENTINE MÉLOIS & RUDY SPIESSERT



THE PIRATE DOGS
PILI PILI!

The fifth maritime adventure with our favorite canines!

Quivering jellyfish! Run for your lives! The pirate dogs are back, the most fearsome pirates of the South Seas, the most terrifying scoundrels to have ever sailed the open ocean! Their new friend Pili Pili has lost his mother. With the help of Captain Iglo and a bespectacled albatross, the pirate dogs head out to search for her. But the sea is a tricky place and fate can be capricious: will our heroes succeed in their mission? To find out, onward ho! Adventure, here we come! A tale in seven chapters, one for each day of the week.

Age 5+

Hardcover | 80 pages | 200 x 260 mm | €15
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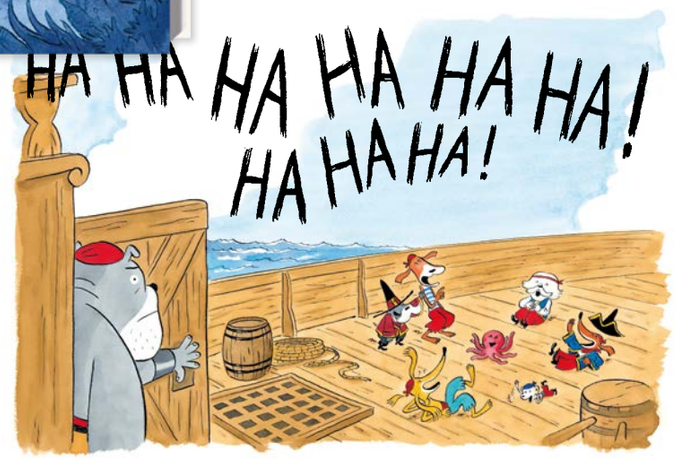
BONUS
Learn the pirate dogs' first name and how to speak "Pili-Pili"!



PIRAT DOGS Series | 5 titles & 1 puzzle

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Catalan, Chinese (Simplified), Italian, Spanish (World)

156,000 copies sold in France



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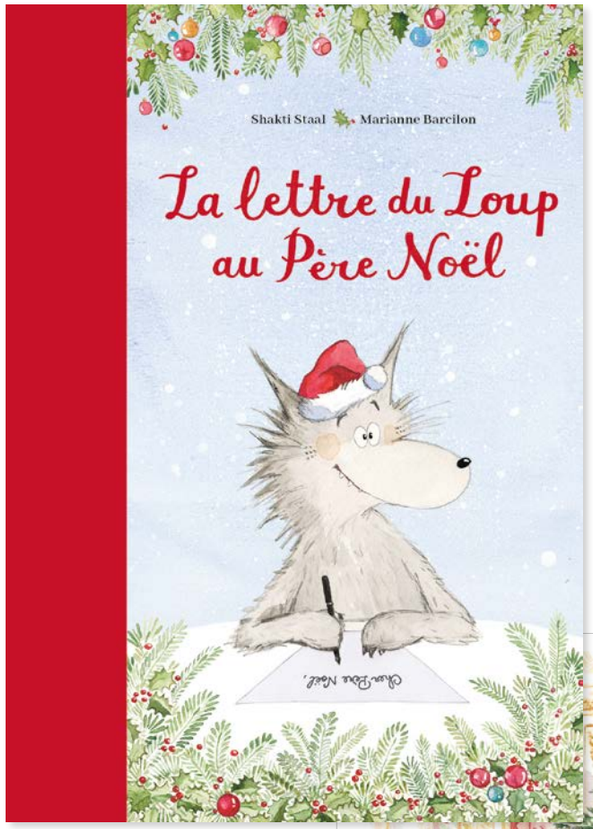
MARIANNE BARCILON



THE WOLF'S LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS

The hilarious meeting between a silly wolf and a clever Santa Claus. Two flagship characters in children's literature.

Ever since the Wolf saw Santa Claus's photo in the newspaper, it's all he can think about: he wants to eat him! In a stew, on a skewer, or with caramelized onions… He hasn't quite decided yet. So this year, he sends a letter to Santa Claus!

Age 3+

Hardcover with interactive features (letters, pop-up, flaps) | 40 pages
210 x 300 mm | €18
Author: Shakti Staal
Illustrator: Marianne Barcilon
November 2024



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SOLD
Greek, Icelandic, Italian, Korean, Spanish (World), Turkish



700,000 copies sold of the series

SOLD
English, Italian, Korean, Russian, Spanish (World)

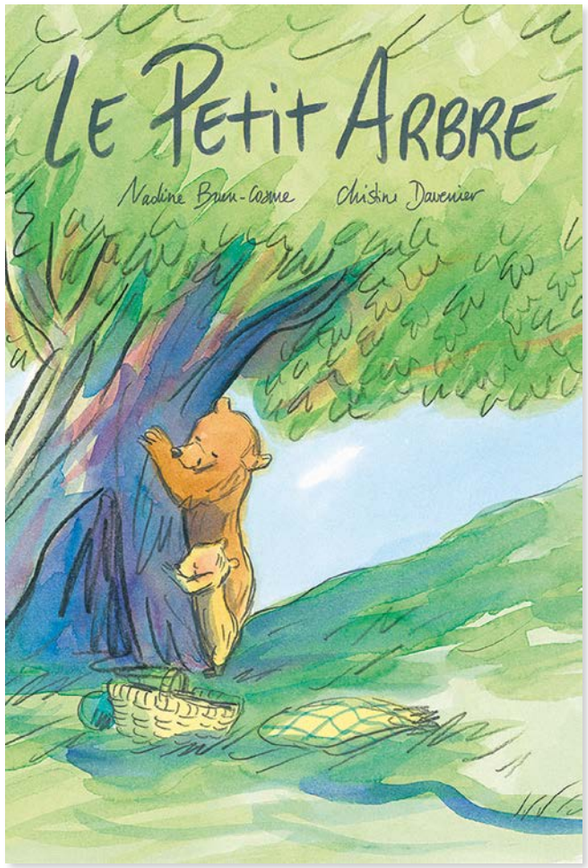




SOLD
Chinese (Simplified), Italian, Korean, Spanish (World), Swedish

600,000 copies sold in France

CHRISTINE DAVENIER



THE LITTLE TREE

A gentle and poetic book that discusses the life cycle through a child's eyes and words.

Ever since they were born, Tom and Louis had lived underneath the Big Tree. They ate in its shade, played in its branches, hid in the hollow of its trunk. Tom and Louis loved their Big Tree. It had always been there. It always would be. But, will the Big Tree last forever?

Age 3+

Hardcover | 40 pages | 180 x 270 mm | €13.50
Author: Nadine Brun-Cosme
Illustrator: Christine Davenier
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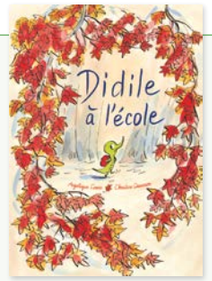
SOLD
Chinese (Simplified), Greek, Italian, Korean, Spanish (World), Turkish)





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German

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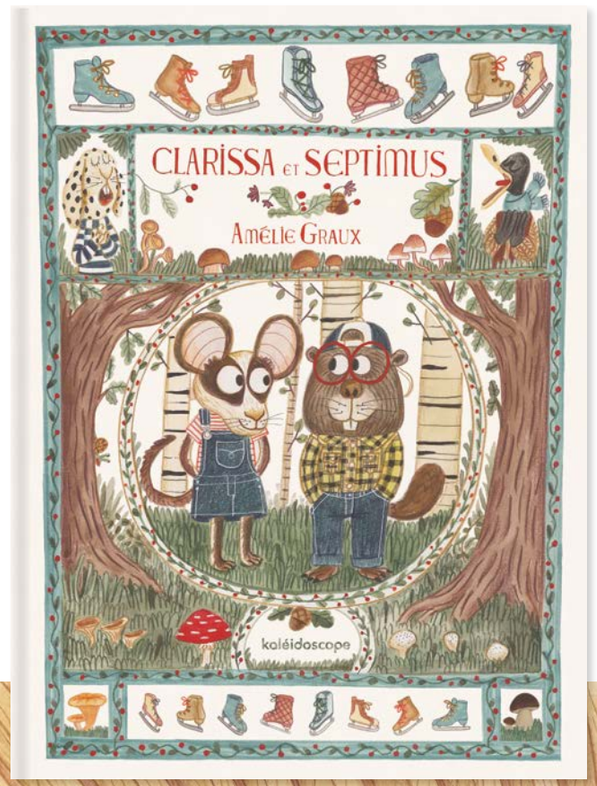




CLARISSA AND SEPTIMUS

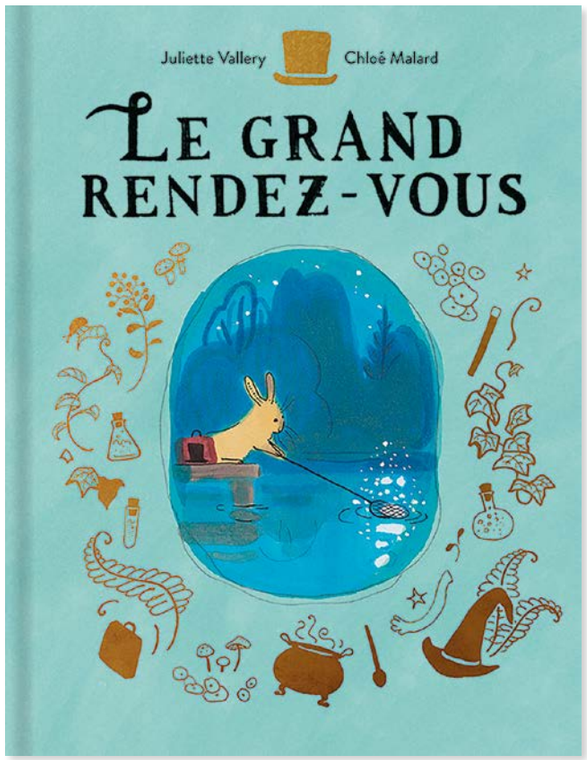
The adventure of a rebellious little dormouse, who refuses to hibernate.

Once upon a time, there was a young dormouse called Clarissa. Clarissa was no ordinary dormouse. Rather than sleeping all winter long, she secretly dreamt of seeing snow, which her friend Septimus had told her so much about. One day, as her family was getting ready to hibernate, Clarissa managed to sneak out…

Age 5+

Hardcover | 44 pages | 216 x 292 mm | €14.50
October 2024

CHLOÉ MALARD



THE GREAT EVENT

We're stronger together! A story about the power of friendship to overcome any difficulty… even shyness!

Gus is racing through the woods, ears in the wind. Tonight, he is making his way to a great event: a competition between 21 rabbit magicians! This is his first time… will he be up to the task? It's time to overcome your shyness, Gus!

Age 4+

Hardcover | 40 pages | 160 x 210 mm | €13.50
Author: Juliette Vallery
Illustrator: Chloé Malard
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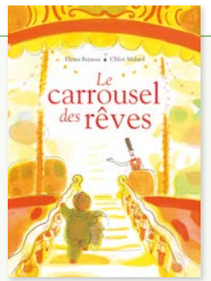


JULIETTE LAGRANGE

Passionate about paper techniques, Juliette Lagrange is particularly fond of large formats and mixing ink and watercolor. She likes little creatures, funny plants, old people, and crooked objects. She observes things that fill her with wonder and make her laugh, for writing scripts and for creating madcap illustrations.



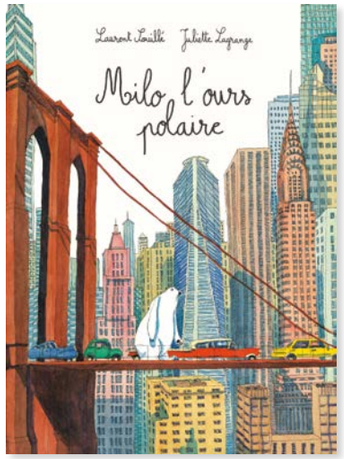
CLINGY JOSIE

Little sisters can be loved or hated. Not always easy to accept sharing your parents' love. The jealousy must be overcome to grow up.

My little sister is constantly on my back. She always wants to do exactly what I do. So I decide to lose her. Ahhhh, finally! Free! Er, but where am I? I'm LOST!!!

Age 3+

Hardcover | 32 pages | 220 x 300 mm
€13 | ©2018
Author: Christine Naumann-Villemin



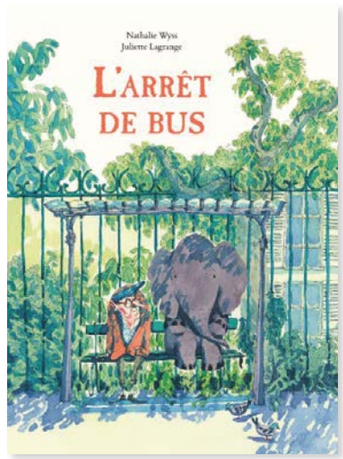
MILO THE POLAR BEAR

A pacifist anti-hero who resists brutality. Amazing watercolors by Juliette Lagrange that depicts New York in a mind-blowing way.

Polar bears love one thing in life: to fight. Milo is different. He likes to count shooting stars and take care of his proteges, the little whitecoats. But now, because of a terrible misunderstanding, he is chosen to fight in a ring. Calm Milo has to leave the Arctic and head to New York, for the boxing fight of the century…

Age 5+

Hardcover | 36 pages | 215 x 290 mm
€13.50 | ©2020
Author: Laurent Souillé
SOLD Korean



THE BUS STOP

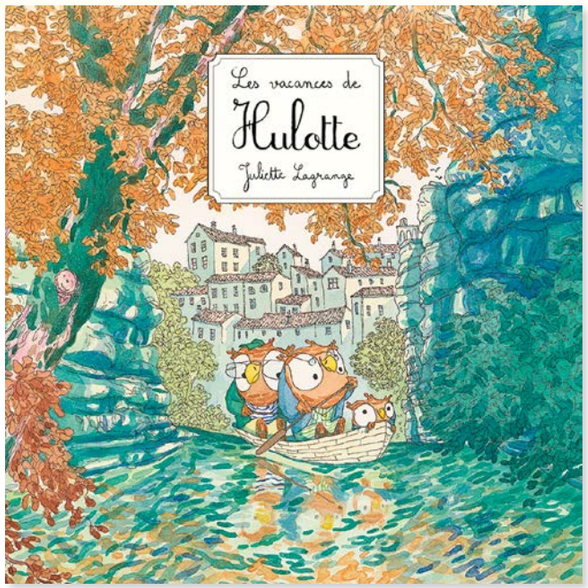
What if we really looked at those around us? The invisible ones?

Mr. Henri had lived at Flore's bus stop for so long that nobody (or hardly anyone) even noticed him. The story of the extraordinary friendship between an old man and an elephant calf.

Age 5+

Hardcover | 32 pages | 225 x 297 mm
€13.50 | ©2022
Author: Nathalie Wyss
SOLD Korean, Russian





HULOTTE'S FALL BREAK

Really? The worst fall break of her entire life?

It's finally time for Hulotte's fall break! Yipee! But this year, her parents have decided to take a romantic trip for two, leaving her with Grandma and Grandpa. The little owl doesn't know what her parents were thinking. But maybe this is her opportunity to discover the joys of fall in the countryside?

Age 4+

Hardcover | 48 pages | 250 x 250 mm | €14
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HULOTTE Series | 3 titles

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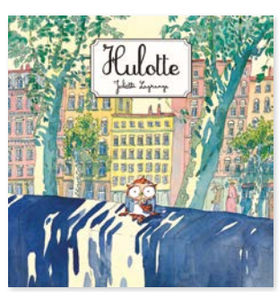
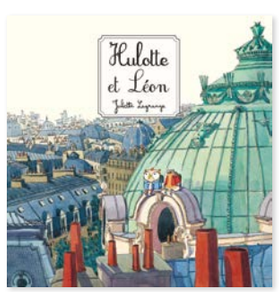
Chinese (Complex), Macedonian

34,000 copies sold of the series





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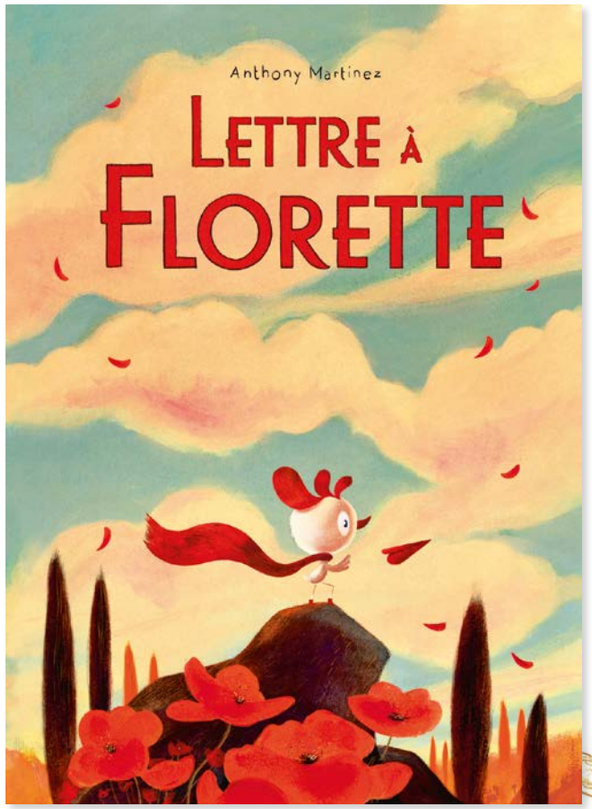

LETTER TO FLORETTE

The power of first vacation romance

This summer, Little Chicken has fallen in love for the very first time. But the summer vacation is over and Florette has gone back home, far away. Will Little Chicken manage to express his feelings in a letter?

Age 5+

Hardcover | 40 pages | 200 x 280 mm | €14.50
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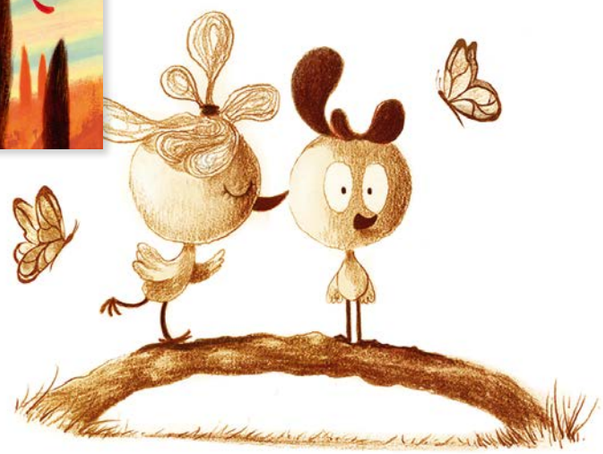
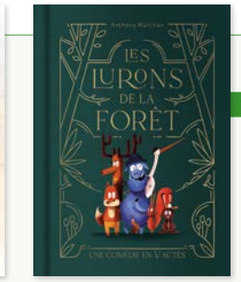
An epistolary book about the emotions surrounding a first love and nostalgia for a summer that's just ended.



BY THE SAME AUTHOR

SOLD
Italian





9,400 copies sold in France

ELSA ORIOL



BIG BAD VILLAINS

It's time to let the villains speak for themselves! Famous fairy tales and legends told from the antagonists' perspective to untangle fact from fiction.

Snow White's wicked stepmother, Dracula, Bluebeard… Iconic or little-known, these big bad villains from fairy tales or myths frighten children from generation to generation.
What if we stopped to listen to their version of the story? Sincere or manipulative? It's not always easy to tell…

Age 7+

Hardcover | 40 pages | 247 x 310 mm | €17
Author: Marie Desplechin
Illustrator: Elsa Oriol
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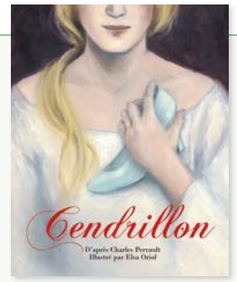
Marie Desplechin's sharp writing meets Elsa Oriol's magnificent portraits.



BY THE SAME ILLUSTRATOR

SOLD
Russian





JÉRÉMY PAILLER



BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

Love looks beyond appearances. Jérémy Pailler appropriates the famous tale by Madame Leprince de Beaumont.

Once upon a time, there was an arrogant and cruel prince, who was turned into a terrible beast by a powerful spell. The prince lost everything he owned and was doomed to live as a prisoner in his own palace. He would only be given his freedom once again if he could learn to love…

Age 5+

Hardcover | 44 pages | 210 x 260 mm | €15
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An original animal version of the famous tale... with mice!

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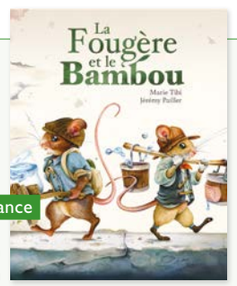
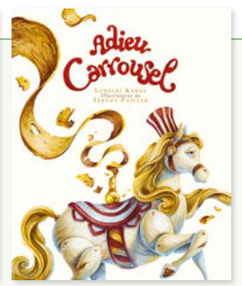


22,500 copies sold in France

SOLD
Korean





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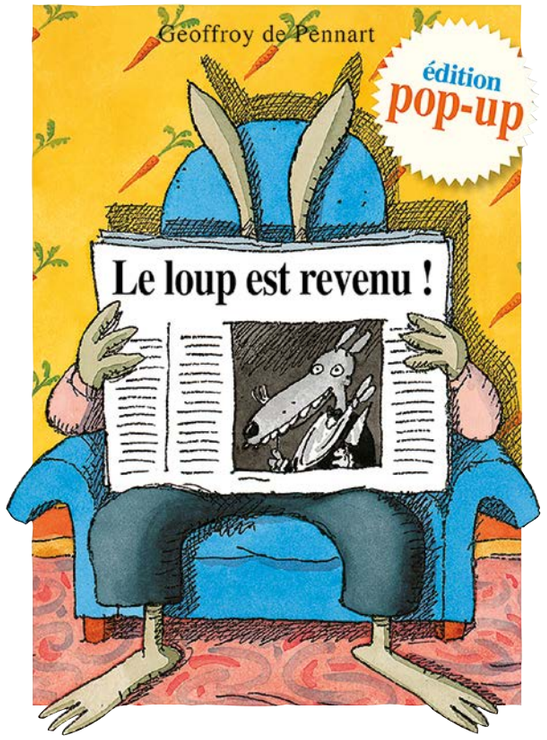
Catalan,
Spanish (World)

GEOFFROY DE PENNART



THE WOLF IS BACK!
POP-UP EDITION

The Wolf Is Back! has sold over 640,000 copies, across all editions, now in Pop-up!

Mr. Rabbit is scared to go to sleep. He has just read a terrifying article in the newspaper: the wolf is back! KNOCK, KNOCK, KNOCK! Could that be the wolf?

Age 4+

Hardcover with Pop-Up | 40 pages
180 x 245 mm | €19
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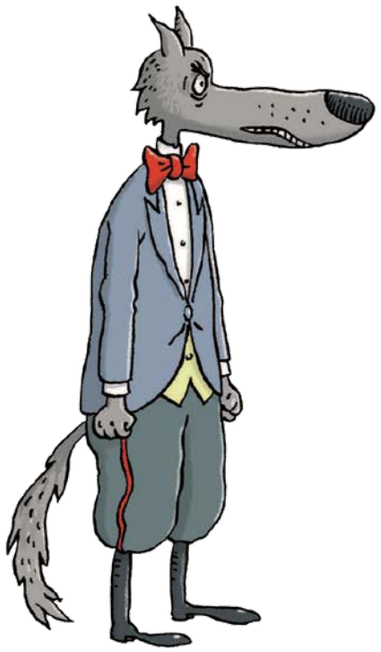

A rich interactive edition (flaps, tabs to pull, pop-up scenes, etc.) to (re)discover this must-read.

IGOR Series | 19 titles & a game

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2 millions copies sold in France







A game



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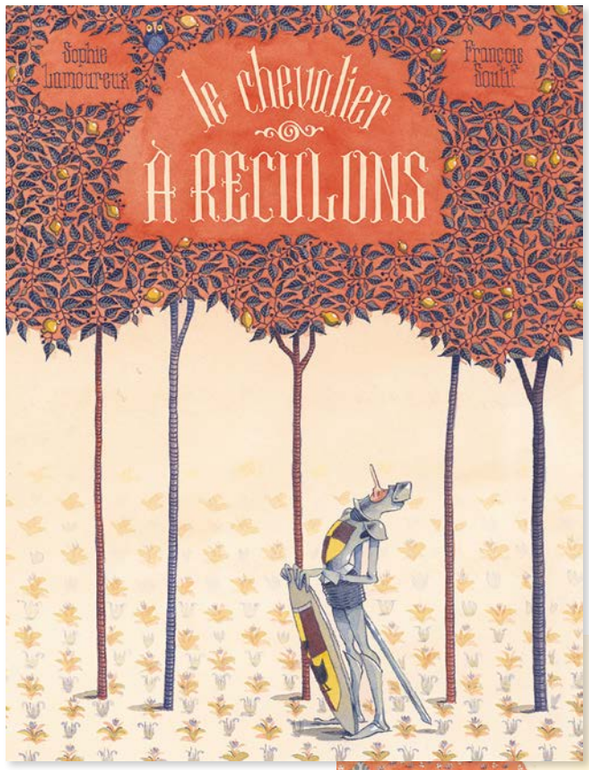

THE RELUCTANT KNIGHT

An interactive medieval adventure, in which the hero is desperate to escape his fate, at any cost.

Oyez, oyez, good people! A word to the wise: put down this book immediately. It will take you on the most incredible of adventures, alongside the best knight in the world. Only a super-reader could make it out unscathed! You've been warned…

Age 5+

Hardcover | 40 pages | 250 x 330 mm | €14.50
Author: Sophie Lamoureux
Illustrator: François Soutif
August 2024
In partnership with Cluny Museum



At the end of the book, the Cluny Museum unveils secrets related to medieval art.

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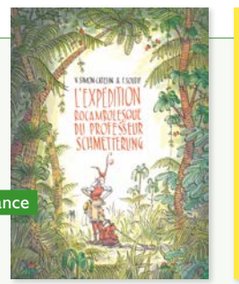
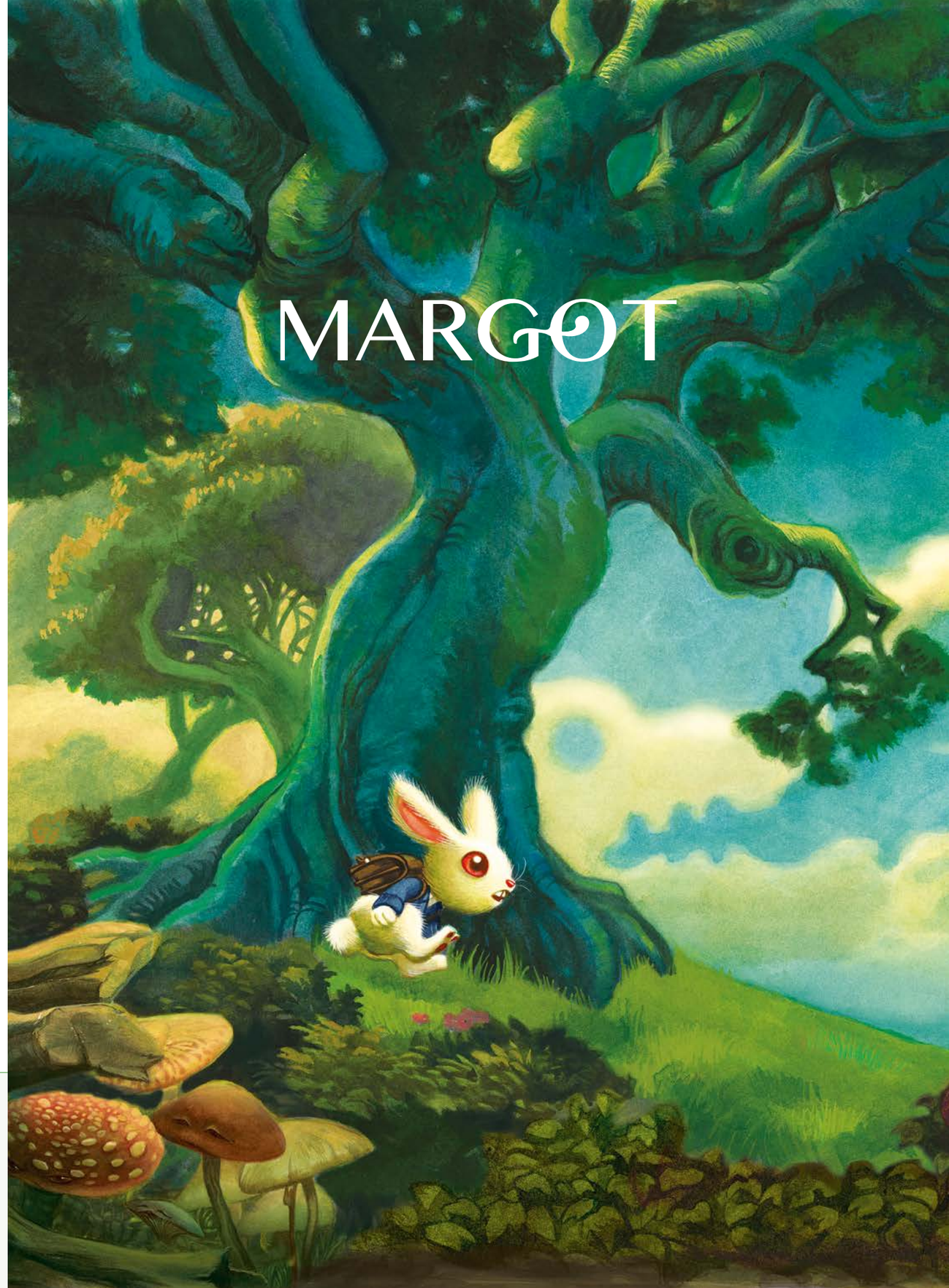


11,000 copies sold in France

SOLD
German





BENJAMIN LACOMBE



MR. WHITE RABBIT

"I'm late! I'm late! For a very important date!"

In a strange and marvelous land, where clocks were more important than good manners, lived a little White Rabbit. This White Rabbit would become famous in Wonderland for his exceptional ability to be late – by a carrot or two – morning, noon, and night. This is his story.

Age 5+

Hardcover | 48 pages | 290 x 316 mm | €19.90
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+ 2025 Calendar
Spiral binding | 26 pages | 300 x 300 mm | €18

Benjamin Lacombe pays homage to Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, a novel that has profoundly inspired him as an artist.



Calendar

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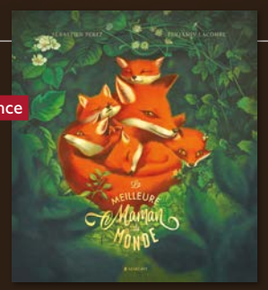

40,000 copies sold in France

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Armenian, Azerbaijani, Bulgarian, Catalan, Croatian, Czech, Dutch, German, Greek, Italian, Korean, Lithuanian, Romanian, Russian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish (World), Ukrainian



19,500 copies sold in France

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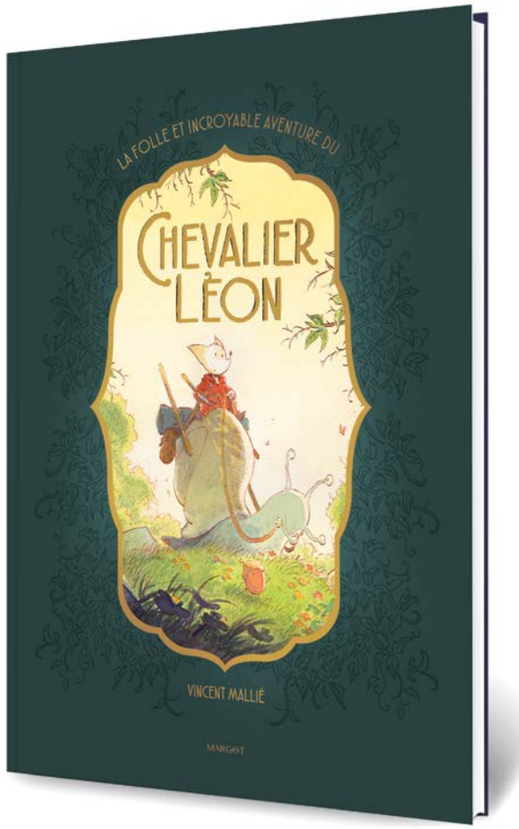

SIR LÉON'S CRAZY AND INCREDIBLE ADVENTURE

A world that blends together the fantastic and learning about daily life.

Léon is destined for a great and chivalrous future, he doesn't doubt that for a minute! Adventure awaits, not to mention princesses in distress. So one fine spring day, he confidently jumps onto his snail and heads toward the magic forest! On his way, he will meet talking pebbles, face a terrible horned creature, and even learn to peel potatoes!
Over the course of this quest, Léon the Apprentice Knight will find better things than a princess to save…

Age 5+

Hardcover | 56 pages | 220 x 320 mm | €18.90
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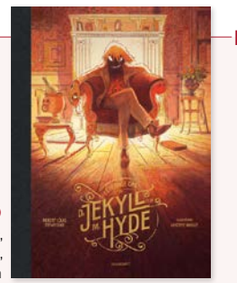
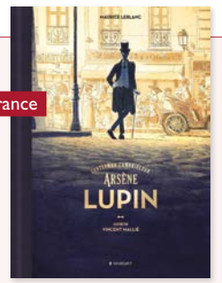


SOLD
Bulgarian, Dutch, Russian

10,300 copies sold in France



SOLD
Albanian, Armenian, Bulgarian, Chinese (Simplified), Dutch, English, German, Greek, Italian, Korean, Macedonian, Russian, Serbian, Spanish (EU), Turkish, Vietnamese



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KARINE PAIN



THE DAY THE HILL WOKE UP

Shining a spotlight on the importance of intergenerational relationships and the passing-on of knowledge.

Little Lina's life is grim at the orphanage in the village of Clairval. But meeting Rita, a so-called witch who lives alone on the hill, will change everything. Because Rita has a secret. A big one. One morning, the villagers lock her up in a dungeon and soon, the earth starts to tremble. Without Rita's soothing music, the monster that lives underneath the hill is waking up…

Age 5+

Hardcover | 40 pages | 220 x 320 mm | €15.90
Author: Vanina Noël
Illustrator: Karine Pain
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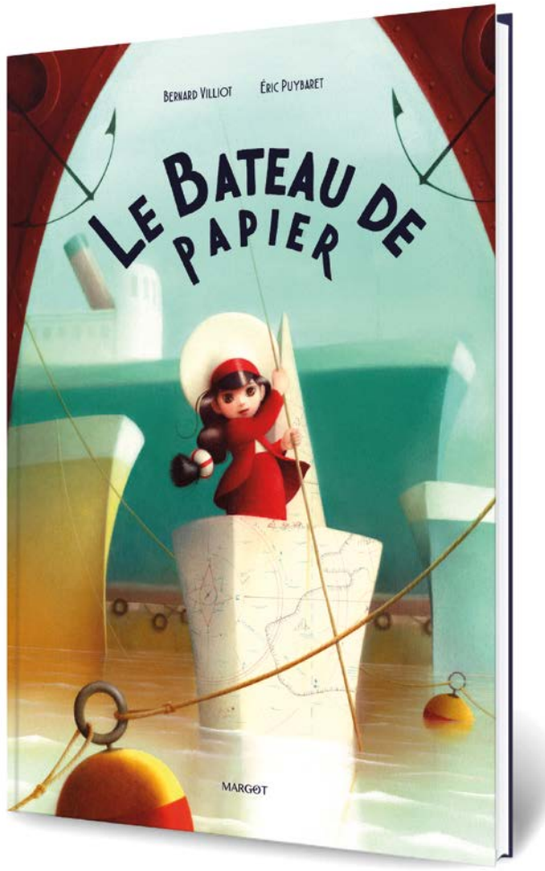
ÉRIC PUYBARET



THE PAPER BOAT

Courage and tenacity will enable our heroine – who is initially scorned – to be recognized and accepted.

Amalia dreams of embarking on a long-distance sea voyage. But the only vessel she has is a paper boat… At the café next to the port, the locals make fun of this fanciful young girl. As for her paper boat? All it's good for is making confetti! Amalia ignores these naysayers and sets out, buoyed along by her courage and temerity. Let the adventure begin!

Age 5+

Hardcover | 40 pages | 255 x 372 mm | €19.90
Author: Bernard Villiot
Illustrator: Éric Puybaret
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SOLD
Chinese (Simplified), Italian, Korean, Romanian



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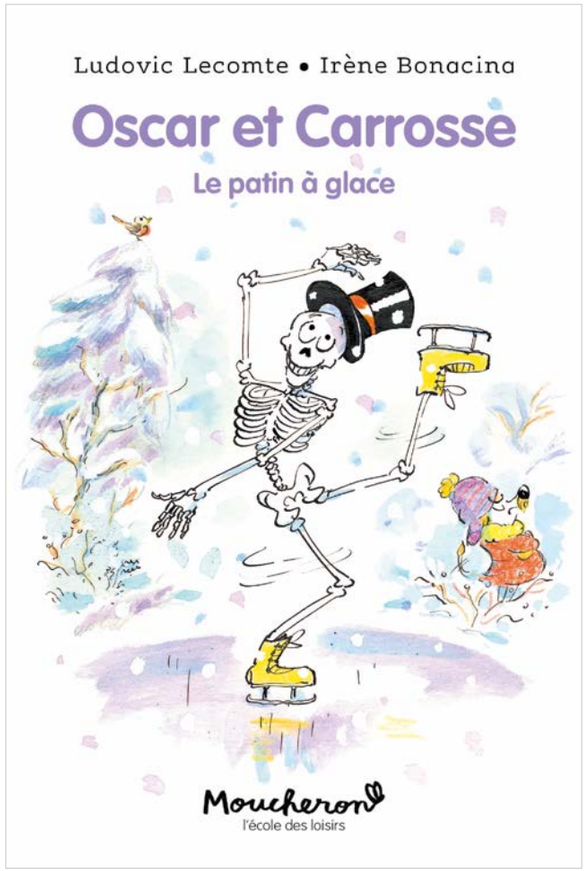
NOVELS

LUDOVIC LECOMTE



OSCAR AND CAROSSE
ICE SKATING

Love, jealousy, friendship: a new reading adventure with Oscar and Carrosse, capturing the magic of winter and Christmas!

In the snow-covered forest, Oscar and Carrosse are admiring a skater on the frozen lake. Oscar is speechless. Carrosse is restless. Back at the caravan, the skeleton's head and heart are elsewhere… He has to go back and find her! He pulls on his skates and… Crash! Bang!

Age 6+

Softcover | 48 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €6.50
Author: Ludovic Lecomte
Illustrator: Irène Bonacina
November 2024



The author, Ludovic Lecomte, is a school teacher. He knows how to make children laugh while teaching them the joys of reading and words.

OSCAR & CARROSSE SERIES | 6 TITLES | ONGOING

SOLD Catalan, Italian, Russian, Spanish (World)

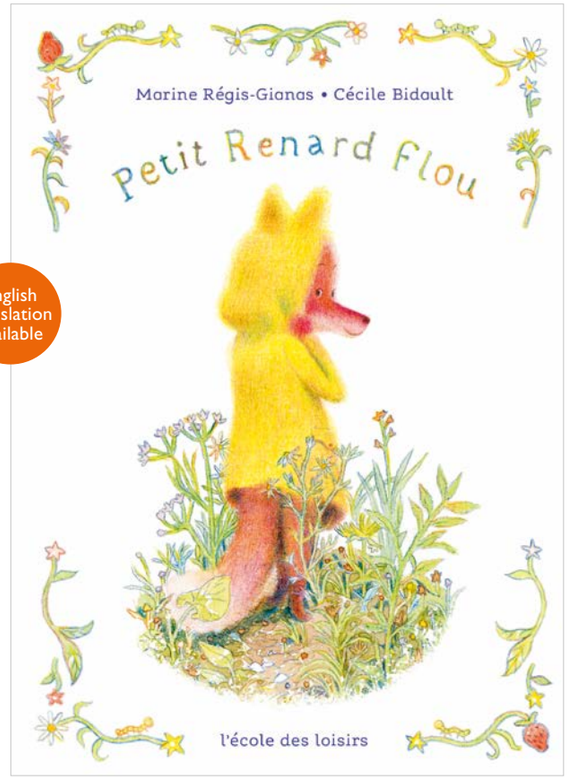
85,000 copies sold in France

English excerpt available



MARINE RÉGIS-GIANAS

English translation available



FUZZY LITTLE FOX

Finding one's place in the world.
A story full of tenderness that celebrates life, little shared moments, and the beauty of bonds that bring us together.

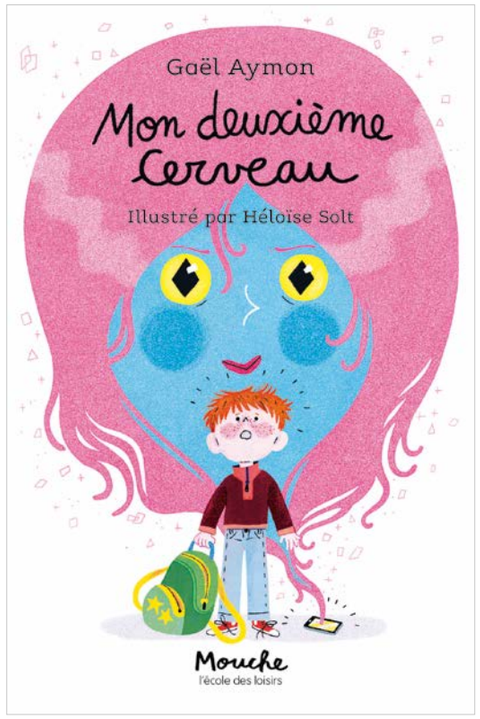
Fuzzy Little Fox didn't have a den.
Nobody ever saw him, not even the tip of his nose. Not even the wolf ever noticed him. But one spring morning, a song surprised him…



Age 6+

Hardcover | 40 pages
148 x 210 mm | €11
Author: Marine Régis-Gianas
Illustrator: Cécile Bidault
October 2024

GAËL AYMON



MY SECOND BRAIN

Artificial intelligence has quickly become part of daily life for everyone, including children.
A novel that shares some ideas for dealing with invasive technology.

Nils has finally gotten his first cell phone! With a strange app called My Second Brain. It claims it can do anything for him, even his annoying homework assignments or math problems he can't solve himself. In a word, My Second Brain can do anything.
Nils has no idea just how much it really can do…

Age 6+

Softcover | 80 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €8.50
Author: Gaël Aymon
Illustrator: Héloïse Solt
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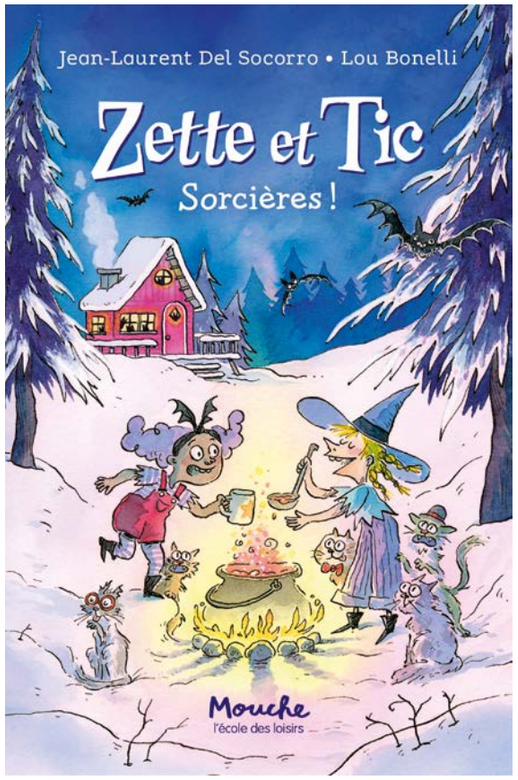
JEAN-LAURENT DEL SOCORRO



ZETTE AND TIC
WITCHES!

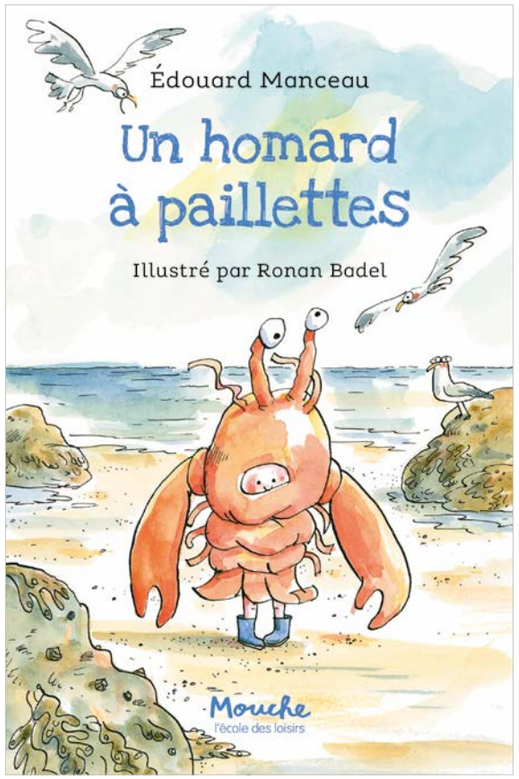
Using fiction to introduce young readers to critical thinking.

It may be the beginning of winter, but news is spreading like wildfire through the small town of Rage: some witches are moving into the nearby forest. Joy saw them; she's sure of it! Vile, an expert on the subject, is categorical: those two strange young girls will probably turn them all into toads! They must be sent to the pyre! Unless they can come up with some really good arguments to change their minds…

Age 6+

Softcover | 64 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €8.50
Author: Jean-Laurent Del Socorro
Illustrator: Lou Bonelli
September 2024

ÉDOUARD MANCEAU



A GLITTERY LOBSTER

The first children's novel for an author renowned for his books for little ones!
Rhythm and humor help the heroine as she experiences a whole spectrum of emotions.

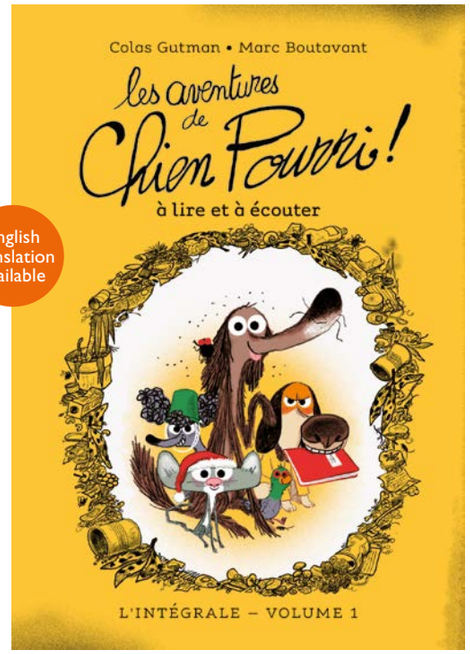
This year, Olga's class is going on a field trip to the sea… and they're allowed to wear costumes!
Talk about exciting! Except that after wandering all the aisles at the store and even trying to make a costume herself, Olga has come up empty-handed, and climbs onto the bus disguised as… nothing at all.
So embarrassing… But the adventure is just beginning!

Age 6+

Softcover | 64 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €8.50
Author: Édouard Manceau
Illustrator: Ronan Badel
October 2024

COLAS GUTMAN

English translation available



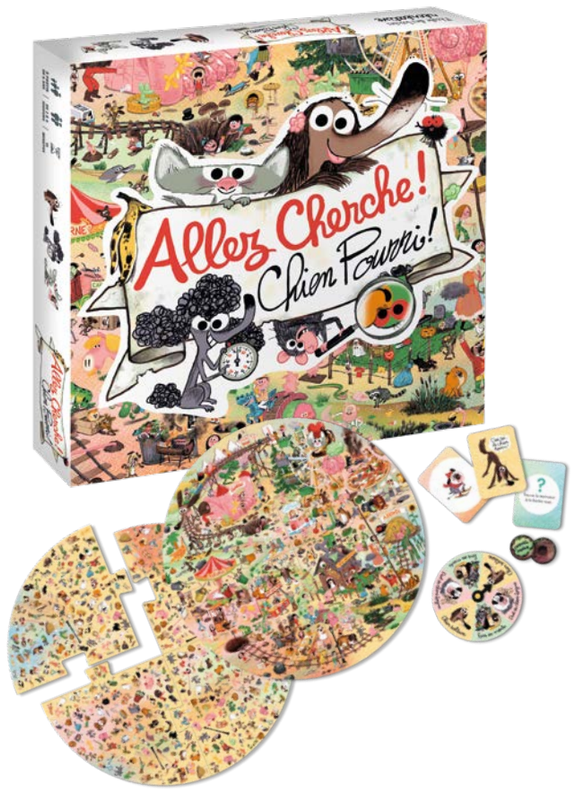
THE ADVENTURES OF DUMB DOG
THE COLLECTION - BOOK 1

4 adventures with Dumb Dog = 4 times more Flat Cat, garbage cans, pigeons, poodle bangs, and bassets wearing little coats!

Discover Dumb Dog's first excursion into the gutter, his first day at school, his holiday on the French Riviera, and his fantastic garbage tale. This first book contains *Dumb Dog*, *Dumb Dog at School*, *Dumb Dog at the Beach*, and *Merry Christmas, Dumb Dog*, and includes access to audio recordings of the episodes read by the author.

Age 6+

Hardcover | 272 pages | 148 x 210 mm | €24.90
Author: Colas Gutman | Illustrator: Marc Boutavant
November 2024



GO FIND IT, DUMB DOG!
THE GAME

With his eagle eye and fine nose, Dumb Dog is ready to show off his mad bloodhound skills at the fair! Go find it, Dumb Dog, go on! Spin the wheel and help him find the hidden objects or characters! Confront your adversaries in hilarious duels and be the first to set paw on the rotten kibble. Watch out for the banana peels, or you might slip!

Age 6+

97 cards | 1 challenge wheel | 34 tokens
1 recto verso board | €24.90
November 2024

DUMB DOG Series | 19 titles

SOLD
Basque, Catalan, Chinese (Simplified), Dutch, English (World), Estonian, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Portuguese (EU), Russian, Spanish (World), Ukrainian

3,200,000 copies sold in France

CHARLOTTE MOUNDLIC

POLO SERIES | 2 TITLES

SUMMARY NOTE AVAILABLE



ALL ALONE

All alone! Really…? No parents, no babysitter. How much trouble will befall these children?!

7-year-old Polo's parents have gone on vacation. Polo is staying at home with his sister and brother, who are 11 and 13. Five days will fly by. Besides, their cousin Ariane, whom Polo adores, is coming to take care of them. But she lives in the north of France and has to take the train to get to their house. Who would've guessed that she'd fall down the stairs at the train station… And there's no way to get in touch with their parents. What to do? Suddenly five days feels like forever…

September 2022



ALL TOGETHER

From all alone to all together, with humor as the baseline for a better family life ! A wonderful illustration of democratic struggles, in which children and parents learn to find common ground.

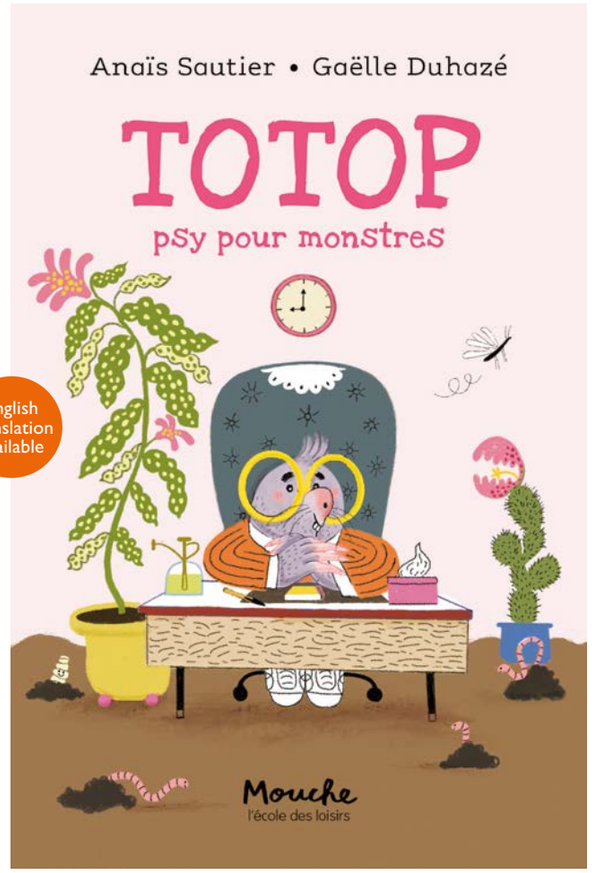
There was something in the air that Thursday.
We all realized why when my mom told us that she'd quit her job: she was starting a company with a friend.
Fine. And she was going to need to use one of our bedrooms. That was not fine, not fine at all.
I suggested a random draw, but things just went from bad to worse…

September 2024

Age 6+

Softcover | Vol. 1: 104 pages, €9.50 | Vol. 2: 72 pages, €8.50 | 125 x 190 mm
Author: Charlotte Moundlic | Illustrator: Olivier Tallec

ANAÏS SAUTIER



English translation available

TOTOP
MONSTER SHRINK

A novel that normalizes going to see a therapist, and heroes who learn to tame their fears.

Totop and Tiptop dig tunnels… Which is pretty standard for moles. But they dig so far, they find themselves in the Land of Monsters. This strange place is welcoming, but as it turns out, these monsters, both big and small, sometimes need to talk through their issues. Luckily, Totop has always dreamt of being a shrink!

Age 6+

Softcover | 64 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €8.50
Author: Anaïs Sautier
Illustrator: Gaëlle Duhazé
August 2024



BY THE SAME AUTHOR





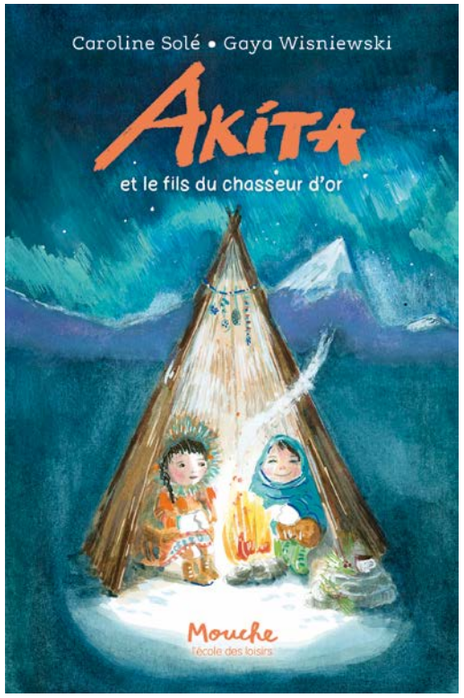
23,000 copies sold in France

CAROLINE SOLÉ

AKITA SERIES | 2 TITLES

SOLD Catalan, Chinese (Simplified), Spanish (World)





AKITA & THE GRIZZLY BEARS

A symbolic and metaphorical story about children's feeling of anger inspired to Caroline Solé by a striking moment of her own childhood.

The polar forest is nothing but white, cold and quiet. And there is also Akita. Today is her birthday and everything is ready: the ice-beaded dress, the birch syrup pancakes… But some unexpected guests could ruin the fun: the grizzly bears. Where Akita lives, they show up without warning. But at seven years old, it's about time you learned how to tame them. Wouldn't that be the greatest of present?

September 2019

AKITA AND THE GOLD MINER'S SON

Trusting children to transform the future and reconcile people with one another and with nature.

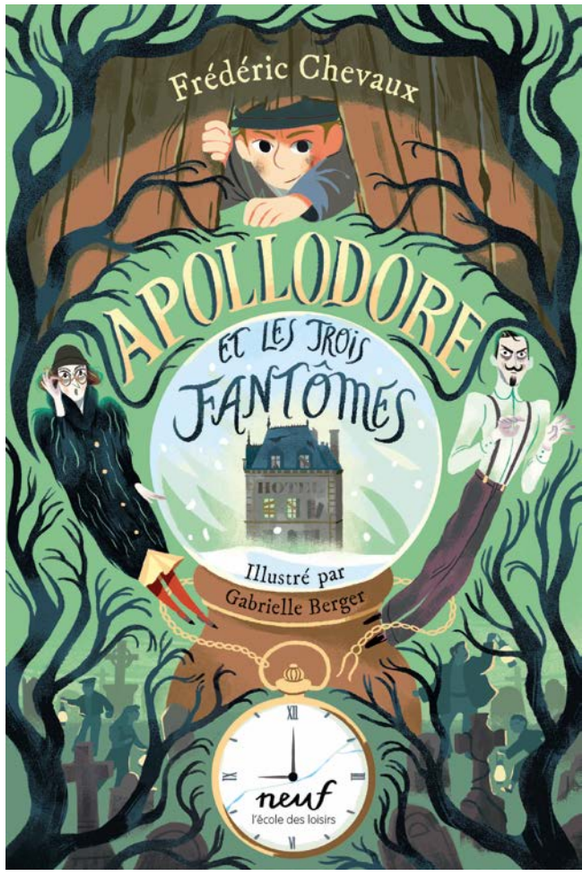
In the very far north, the people in Akita's village have never forgotten the Night of Ice, during which they dodged misfortune thanks to the spirit of the mountain. Ever since, in an isolated little hut, the adults have kept a fire burning and children bring offerings. But this morning, Akita discovers tracks next to the cabin. Tracks that bring terrifying memories to mind.

November 2024

Age 6+

Softcover | Vol. 1: 88 pages, €8.50 | Vol. 2: 80 pages, €8.50 | 125 x 190 mm
Author: Caroline Solé | Illustrator: Gaya Wisniewski

FRÉDÉRIC CHEVAUX



APOLLODORE AND THE THREE GHOSTS

Who better than a ghost to investigate the past? This novel has three of them… A dive into the Paris of the interwar years, alongside orphaned children and other mistreaters.

Paris, December 31, 1929. Everyone knows Apollodore. He's a vagrant, a kid left on the front steps of a hotel 12 years ago. Apollodore lives there now. He thought he might pick up his parents' trace there. Except that this hotel is haunted, so nobody ever sets foot here anymore. Apollodore has made up his mind: he's leaving tonight. He's saying goodbye to Paris, misery, and his job cleaning windows. He's going to America! But first, he has to say goodbye to his three solitary neighbors. He has to hurry if he doesn't want to be late. Unless…

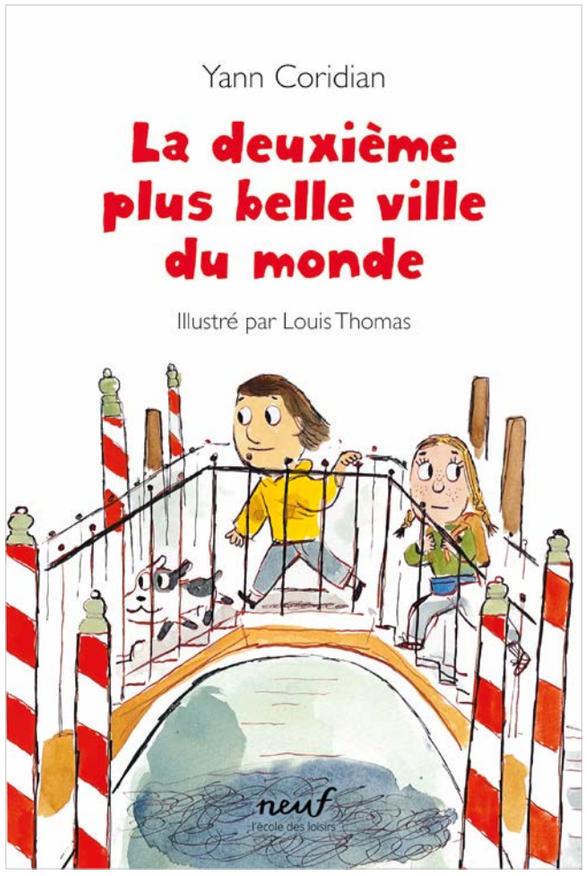
Age 8+

Softcover | 152 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €11.50
Author: Frédéric Chevaux
Illustrator: Gabrielle Berger
October 2024



"Who is it?'
'Apollodore. I'm your living neighbor. I come and visit you every day.'
'Really? Surely I'd remember you if that were the case.'
'That's the trouble. You're losing your memory. Hello, Serpolette, how are you today?'
'Can't complain, young man, can't complain.'
Apollodore smiled and closed the door behind him. Ever since he was a child, and without knowing why or how, he had been able to communicate with spirits. That suited him fine. The first time it ever happened, he'd been walking through the halls of the orphanage and had had a fascinating conversation with the ghost of a rat who had died four days beforehand. The animal had told him all about his life. As far as little Apollodore had been concerned, it had been the most natural thing in the world to converse with a ghost."

YANN CORIDIAN



THE SECOND MOST BEAUTIFUL CITY IN THE WORLD

Through Jeanne the heroine, the author skillfully explores the existential questions of a 10-year-old girl: no longer a child and not yet a teenager.

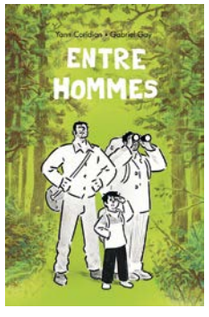
Today is my birthday, and my dad has taken me to Venice. I should be thrilled, but given the fact that trouble is brewing between my parents and my mom's thousands of kilometers away, I'm scared this will be the saddest birthday of my life. The lamest too. Because our guide has just been taken away on an ambulance boat, and my dad has disappeared, leaving me all alone on Piazza San Marco. It's a good thing I met Indaco. He's 10, and he knows Venice like the back of his hand.

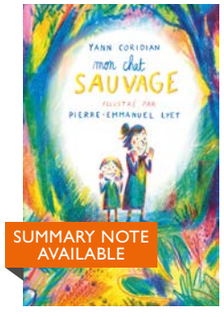
Age 8+

Softcover | 160 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €12
Author: Yann Coridian
Illustrator: Louis Thomas
August 2024

"The man driving the boat suddenly cries something to my dad through the cockpit's open window. But considering the blank look on his face, my dad obviously doesn't understand. With impeccable timing, he chooses that moment to start vomiting into the lagoon, turning his back to me!
Nobody is telling him to get off the boat; they're about to leave with him onboard!
I yell and wave my arms, but it's no good. He's too busy puking out his guts! I'm surrounded by hysterical young adults, music, and pink smoke rising up into the sky… Just then, the ambulance boat's siren rings out and the boat zooms off, leaving me alone on the quay in a total state of panic! [...] I'm all alone in a demonstration in a foreign country… Help! Aiuto!"

BY THE SAME AUTHOR





WOODLAND MEMORIES SERIES

6 AWARDS

MICKAËL BRUN-ARNAUD

"The most beautiful adventure is one that comes to an end." Heroes for a quest that celebrates the beauty of intergenerational bonds, between memories and self-affirmation.

SUMMARY NOTE AVAILABLE



VOL. 1
FERDINAND DIGGER'S LOST PAST

In the Barkington Forest, Archibald Fox runs a bookstore. Ever since his memories began to fade, Ferdinand Digger is desperately trying to relocate the book that he put there years ago. But a mysterious client just left with it... With the help of some old photos, Archibald and Ferdinand head out through the forest after the customer in question.

March 2022

#care #resilience #aging #writing #alzheimersdisease #summer

SUMMARY NOTE AVAILABLE



VOL. 2
CORNELIUS FOX'S NOTEBOOKS

Just as Barkington Forest is getting all decked out for the fall festivities, a visitor comes to ruin the celebration for Archibald Fox. With documents in hand, Celestin Wolf announces that he's the rightful owner of the bookstore. Archibald must get to the bottom of this! Along with his nephew, he heads out in search of the notebooks that his grandfather entrusted to a secret society.

March 2023

#mystery #inheritance #familysecret #forbiddenlove #autumn

SUMMARY NOTE AVAILABLE



VOL. 3
WINTER SPIRIT

The Yuletide festivities are fast approaching, and Bartholomew's parents have gone to the dangerous valleys in the Great North to find him a gift. But they don't return as planned…
To find them, Bartholomew and his uncle Archibald board the Barkington Star, a legendary steam train.

October 2023

#steamtrain #christmas, #disability #bullying #winter #grieving

4 TITLES | SERIES COMPLETED

Age 8+

Softcover | Vol. 1: 320 pages, vol. 2: 320 pages, vol. 3: 344 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €15.50
Author: Mickaël Brun-Arnaud | Illustrator: Sanoe

SOLD Bulgarian, Catalan, Chinese (Simplified), Czech, German, Indonesian, Italian, Korean, Polish, Romanian, Russian, Spanish (World), Turkish, Ukrainian, Vietnamese

SUMMARY NOTE AVAILABLE



VOL. 4
THE SEASON OF FAREWELLS

The eagerly awaited conclusion to the award-winning saga with 250,000 readers!

Nestled in a hollow oak trunk, Barkington's bookstore is about to celebrate its 80th anniversary. While everyone is busy getting ready, one of its branches cracks. It's the sign of a terrible disease: timber blight. No two ways about it: they have to cut down the tree.
But Ernest Fox can't bear the thought.
This old oak tree harbors the memory and work of his mother, Anouchka. If they cut down the tree, she'll disappear too. Unless the wish tree, a magical apple tree that Anouchka told him about as a fox cub, can perform a miracle…

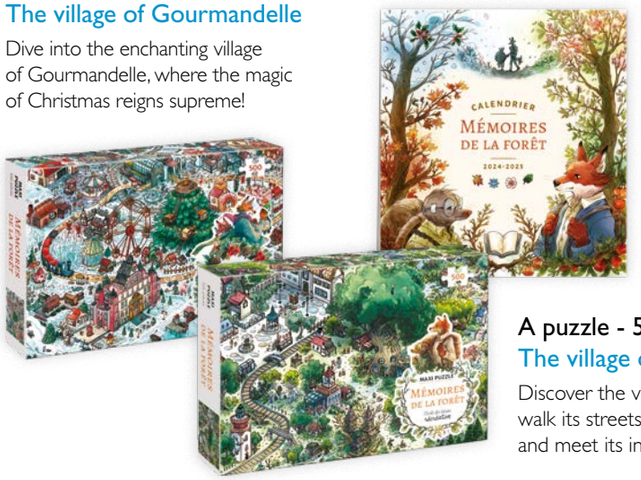
Age 8+

Softcover | 328 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €15.50
October 2024

#spring #physicalappareance #trauma #mutism #lettinggo #brotherhood

A puzzle - 500 pieces
The village of Gourmandelle

Dive into the enchanting village of Gourmandelle, where the magic of Christmas reigns supreme!



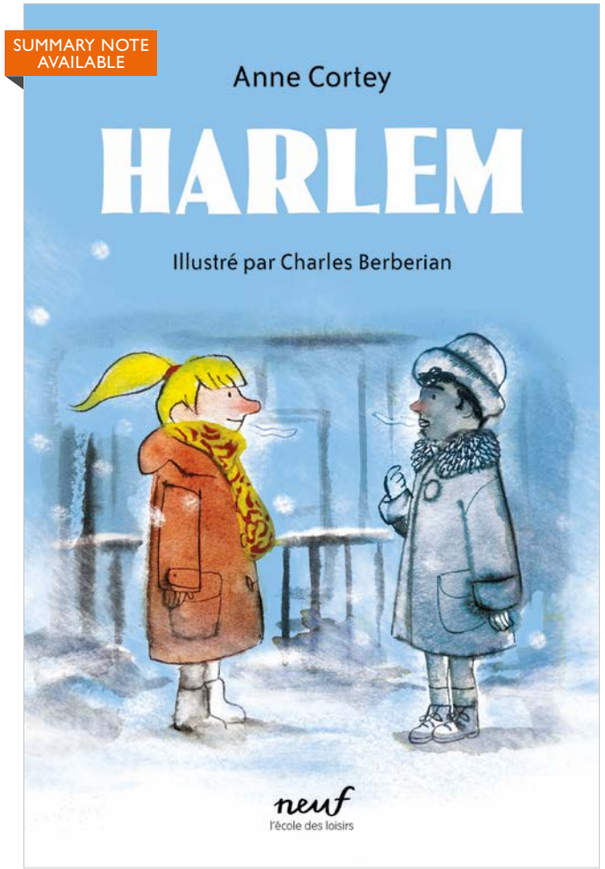
A calendar 2024/2025

Embrace the seasons alongside the inhabitants of Barkington Forest with the 2024/2025 Forest Memories calendar.
A sheet of stickers included!

A puzzle - 500 pieces
The village of Barkington

Discover the village of Barkington. Dive into its forest, walk its streets, discover its school, climb the surrounding hills, and meet its inhabitants, who might just surprise you.

ANNE CORTEY



HARLEM

A sensitive plot set in the heart of the civil rights movement at the end of the 1950s with two young heroines determined to change things and uncover a family secret.

When Lilly's mother, Joanna, the only white woman living in Harlem, told her parents she wanted to marry Eddy, who was black, they cast her out. Joanna never saw her family again.
In 1950s America, a whole section of the country is rising up to demand an end to racial segregation. Today, on her way home from school, Lilly saw a girl looking at her intently. A girl her age, white, with blond hair.
Who is she? Why has she come here, to Harlem?

Age 8+

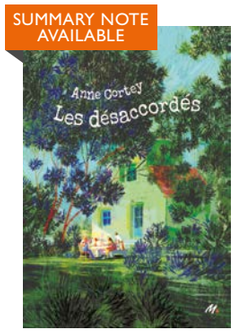
Softcover | 168 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €12.50
Author: Anne Cortey
Illustrator: Charles Berberian
September 2024

"There's a new girl in Lilly's class. Her name is Rosa and she's from the South. She didn't say why she came to Harlem in the middle of the school year, but Lilly figures that if she's from the South, it was to get away.
Lilly's parents volunteer for an association that helps the poor. They explain to Lilly that Rosa's father was lynched and then killed by white segregationists. Nobody knows why he was lynched; Rosa's father tried to keep a low profile to avoid attracting attention. Maybe he said the wrong thing? Maybe he refused to give his seat to a white man in a bus? Nobody will ever know. [...] Rosa's mother decided to seek refuge in Harlem, where a distant cousin was willing to take them in until she found a place for herself, her daughter, and her little boy."

BY THE SAME AUTHOR



English translation available



MARIE DESPLECHIN



THE GHOST OF SUZANNE FOUGÈRES

Marie Desplechin is back in the fantasy genre: if you loved Verte/Green, *whose mother is a witch, then you'll adore Inès, whose best friend is a ghost.*
Readers take a dive into the life and times of a young woman who experienced WWI and discover a magical love story between a mother and her daughter, searching for one another beyond death.

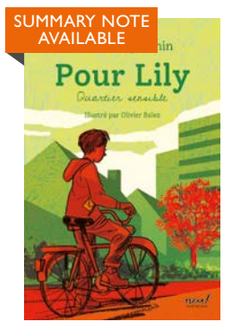
One day, a voice started to speak in Inès's ear. Nobody else could hear it. The first time it happened, she was in a cemetery, the day after Halloween. Inès thought that maybe if she just ignored it, it would go away. But it didn't. Now the voice accompanies her everywhere she goes. The voice has a name: Suzanne. She's the same age as Inès. Well, 100 years, give or take.
But what does Suzanne want from her?

Age 8+

Softcover | 160 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €12
September 2024

"Someone was with me, someone I couldn't see. It was very strange. If I'd been blind, it would have been different. I'd have been used to not being able to see. But I was just a normal non-blind person, and I didn't know where to look.
'Suzanne, it's too hard to talk to you. I don't know where you are. I can't even imagine what you look like. Maybe it'll be easier if I close my eyes…'
'There's no need. Do you want to see me?!'
'Is that possible?'
'Yes. You're not scared?'
'That depends. Do you look like a creepy zombie, or something?'
'Thanks a lot! Are you saying I sound like a creepy zombie?'
'Not at all! I'm sorry if I offended you. Do you just look like a normal ghost? With a sheet? And two holes for your eyes?"

BY THE SAME AUTHOR





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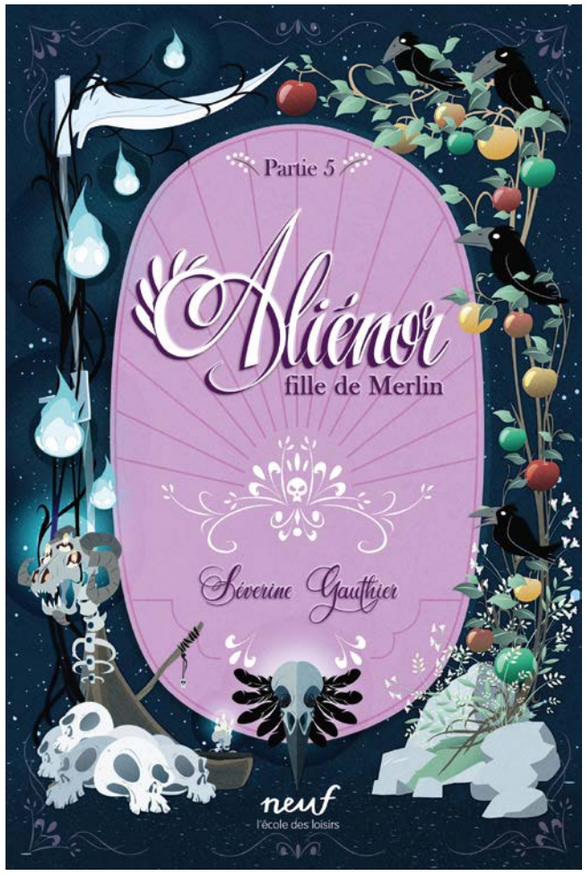
Chinese (Complex & Simplified), Hungarian, Italian, Khmer, Japanese, Polish, Vietnamese

800,000 copies sold in France

SÉVERINE GAUTHIER



ELEANOR, DAUGHTER OF MERLIN
PART 5: AVALON

The second-to-last episode in the series: the dramatic tension is at its highest, as the trapped characters are forced to make irrevocable decisions. Exploring the father/daughter bond, and their unconditional love: despite their quarrels, they are ready to sacrifice anything to save the other. This time, the series explores the myth of Avalon in the Arthurian legend: the perfect opportunity to discover a new world.

After falling victim to the black magic of the witch Moronoe, Eleanor wakes up on the mythical Isle of Avalon, the island of the dead from which nobody ever returns. When he learns his daughter has been taken prisoner, Merlin's ghost immediately jumps into action. He's ready to do whatever it takes to get to the island and bring Eleanor back, even if it means making the greatest sacrifice of all. Which is exactly what Moronoe wants…

Age 8+

Softcover | 208 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €12.50
Author: Séverine Gauthier
Illustrator: Thomas Labourot
November 2024

ALIENOR SERIES | 5 TITLES OUT OF 6 | ONGOING

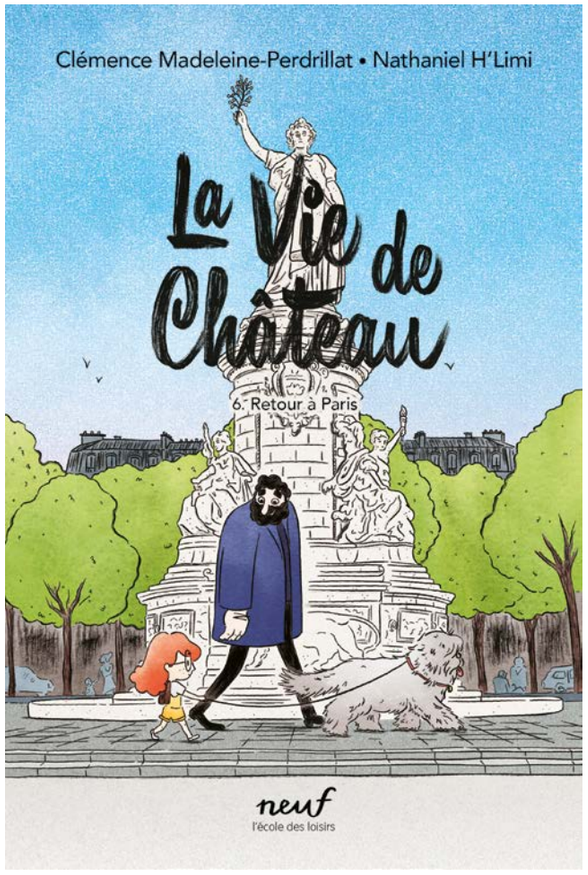
SOLD Catalan, Italian, Russian, Spanish (World)

36,300 copies sold in France

SUMMARY NOTE AVAILABLE



CLÉMENCE MADELEINE-PERDRILLAT



LIVING AT VERSAILLES
VOL. 6: BACK IN PARIS

A powerful and poignant story about transmission. This last book in the series will be published at the same time as the first airing of the 6 animated episodes Living at Versailles coming to France TV in October 2024.

The school year is almost over and Violette has one assignment left: her family tree. In order to find out more about her ancestors, she has to return to the apartment where she lived with her parents. It's time to come full circle…

Age 8+

Softcover | 96 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €11
Author: Clémence Madeleine-Perdrillat
Illustrator: Nathaniel H'Limi
November 2024

FILMS DE TÉLÉVISION ANNECY 2024 PRIX DU JURY POUR UNE SÉRIE TV

PRESS REVIEW

"Clémence Madeleine-Perdrillat and Nathaniel H'Limi have wonderfully managed to turn the delicately suggested emotions in their film (Jury Award at the Annecy Festival 2019 and 2024) into words in a poignant and joyous ensemble novel."

OUEST FRANCE, Anne-Flore Hervé

LIVING AT VERSAILLES SERIES | 6 TITLES OUT OF 6 | COMPLETED

SOLD Bulgarian, Chinese (Simplified)

32,000 copies sold in France

SUMMARY NOTE AVAILABLE



JOLAN C. BERTRAND



FLEUR DE BASTION AND THE MASKED FOX
VOL. I: THE WOLVES OF HOWLING WOOD

An ambitious animal fantasy with magnificent characters, and whirling and mischievous writing, confirming Jolan Bertrand's immense talent!
An epic breakneck plot against the backdrop of an unbridled investigation, thrilling duels, and simmering schemes.

Garance de Teauperché, duchess of Rive-de-Valse, has just survived an assassination attempt. Rumor has it that Howling Wood House is behind it… And tensions between the wolf barony and the fox duchy have never been higher. The investigation is secretly entrusted to Pepin Mousekin, who has always dreamed of donning the Guard and Watch uniform, and sees this as the perfect opportunity to prove his worth. But time is of the essence. Because at the city gates, the wolves are up in arms, furious to see their kin imprisoned. And they're out for blood.

Age 11+

Softcover | 256 pages | 148 x 218 mm | €15.50
August 2024

"Greenhorn, don't you ever go home?' Gavin Goat moaned when he arrived.
'Oh no, he goes home,' Annabelle retorted, 'Only to come back the next day in even fancier clothes to ask the captain the exact same question. And you know what? She's gonna give you the same answer as yesterday, and the day before, and the day before that, and every day for the last… what, ten years that you've been showing up begging to be hired?'
Pepin was about to respond when Leona Lynx herself appeared in the doorway. She called Pepin into her office, and while the mouse prepared himself to be sent packing yet again with an umpteenth speech about the incompatibility of his appearance and physical abilities with a career at the Guard and Watch, something completely unexpected happened."

BY THE SAME AUTHOR



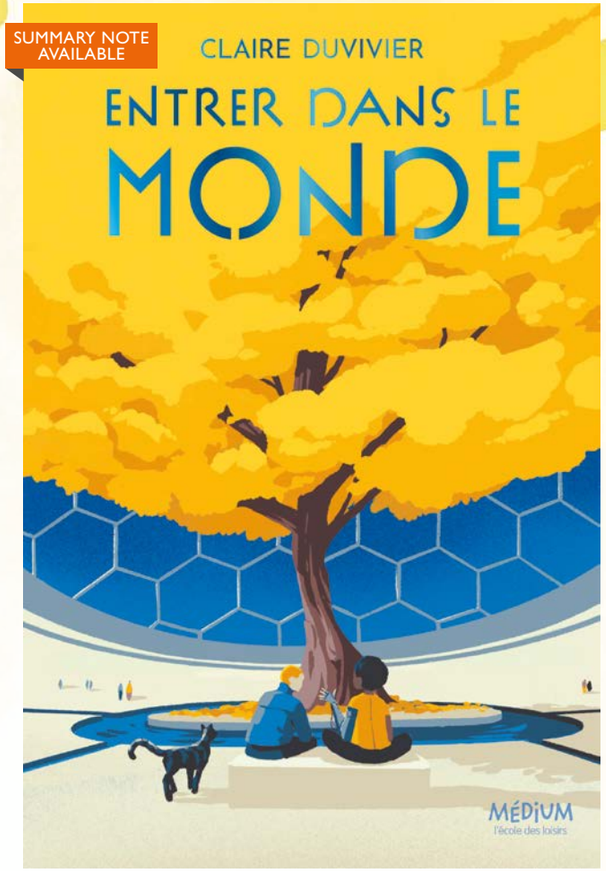
13,600 copies sold in France



18,000 copies sold in France

SOLD
German, Italian, Russian, Spanish (World)

CLAIRE DUVIVIER



INTO THE WORLD

A thrilling science fiction story questioning the truth, winning one's freedom, with a plot twist that is equal parts bold and unexpected.
The question of free will at the heart of a story that proclaims its faith in the next generation.

Xabi has never left the enclosed and comforting spaces of the underground realm of the Danube, like the 25 other adolescents with whom he lives. Their days are perfectly organized down here. Sometimes, Medical Tutor, Technical Tutor, Farming Tutor, and Veterinary Tutor go with them to the forest on the surface. Soon they'll have to leave this little paradise and go into the world. But what is really out there, beyond the borders of their realm?
When visitors from elsewhere suddenly arrive, Xabi has no idea that for the Danube's 26, nothing will ever be like it was before.

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"There was a hissing sound as a door opened. Two silhouettes emerged and the boy flattened himself against the stack of crates to avoid being spotted. Luckily, the night lights weren't bright enough to betray his presence. Xabi immediately recognized the individual leading the way.
'Nobody knows the Foundation's objectives better than I do, and I can guarantee we have not forgotten them,' declared Medical Tutor.
He stopped and turned toward the man following him.
'I'd like to believe you, Doctor Fournier,' said the man, 'But news from the arch isn't promising. Apparently the Foundation was bought out. Some time ago. And its objectives may be the last priority for its current owners…'
Xabi had never seen that man before.
And seeing a stranger was not something that happened often to him, or to any of the 26 adolescents of the realm for that matter."

JACKY SCHWARTZMANN

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THE KIWI THEOREM

Mental illness. "What is normal life, when you really come down to it?" Ernest eventually starts to wonder over the course of his adventure with two psychotic teenage girls. A wild road trip: stolen car, police car, barge, bike…

Ernest was obediently waiting in the back of his dad's car when they suddenly appeared out of nowhere. Two girls who had escaped from the psychiatric wing for teens. One of them sat down in the driver's seat while the other took the passenger seat. And that is how Ernest, whose parents were both doctors, ended up on a zany escapade alongside Lili (bipolar) and Elodie (severe autism). To be perfectly honest, Ernest didn't try to stop them. As though he also wanted to escape and run far, far away from his preordained destiny.

"I'm bipolar,' Lili continues without listening to me, 'One minute I'm great, and the next, my whole world is caving in, kind of like how you're feeling right now.'
'But…'
'Don't worry, they couldn't have helped you at the hospital anyway. They talk to you, give you meds, but none of it really helps, believe me. You know what helps, Ernest?'
'No.'
'Life! Life is the only thing that keeps you going! That's why we're doing this! Taking a car and taking the bull by the horns.'
'Where's the chair?'
'What's the deal with the chair?' I ask Lili.
'Tackling the bull head-on, you hear me, Ernest?! That's life! And that's what'll make you better, not their crappy meds!'
'But where are we going?' [...]
'Marseille, baby!'
'What?!'"

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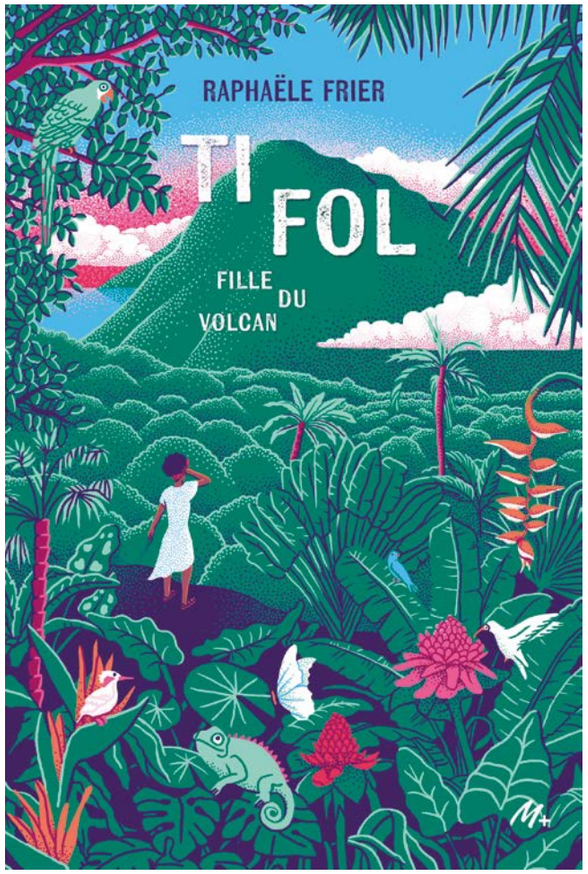
RAPHAËLE FRIER



TI FOL
THE VOLCANO'S DAUGHTER

A crazy adventure: a volcano, magic, and the Creole language, an evocative and poetic language. You wil dive into the history of the island of Martinique: the eruption of Mount Pelée, in 1902, the deadliest of the 20th century.

La Martinique, 1902. At the foot of Mount Pelée, young Pascaline communes with nature and spirits. They say she isn't all there, which is why everyone calls her Ti Fol, which means "Little Madgirl." And yet, she's the only one who can hear the volcano's rage rising up. If the others were to listen, they'd know it's time to flee… Not too far away, Louis-Auguste Cyparis grew up in a religious orphanage before becoming a living toy for the children of a rich plantation family. He dreams of freedom and decides to rebel against his lot in life. Will he escape Mount Pelée's clouds of fire?

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"'I found him!' Degal triumphantly announces, firmly pushing his trophy out in front of him, 'Here he is at last, children, your own little negro!'
Standing there in the middle of the large room, Louis-Auguste's whole body is trembling. Everyone is white here, like the sisters at the orphanage. Mme Degal is a tall, weary-looking lady. She pinches her lips whenever she sets her eyes on him. It seems like a strange smile is hiding underneath her drawn face. The two children are even whiter than their parents. There's a little girl with green eyes and long black hair. The little boy is younger than his sister and other than his orange hair, he looks just like her. Then again, she has a light in her eyes that he doesn't have. His smile is twisted, like his mother's.
'Clémence and Victor, he's yours now!' cries fat Monsieur Degal, 'You'll have to give him a name.'"

EMMANUELLE PIROTTE



AT THE EDGE OF THE WORLD

Love can strike anywhere, even at the edge of the world. An intense love story and the power of adolescence to turn the established order on its head. This is the very first YA novel by a renowned literary author.

Triny and Terrence never should have crossed paths. Terrence is a well-mannered boy, the first in his class. Everyone says he's destined for great things. Triny is Roma and didn't go to school for long. She'll raise horses later on. And yet, they share a common trait: they both ran away. From their domineering, tyrannical fathers who demand their unconditional obedience. Terrence and Triny would eventually cross paths. The only question is how.

Age 13+

Softcover | 144 pages | 148 x 218 mm | €13.50
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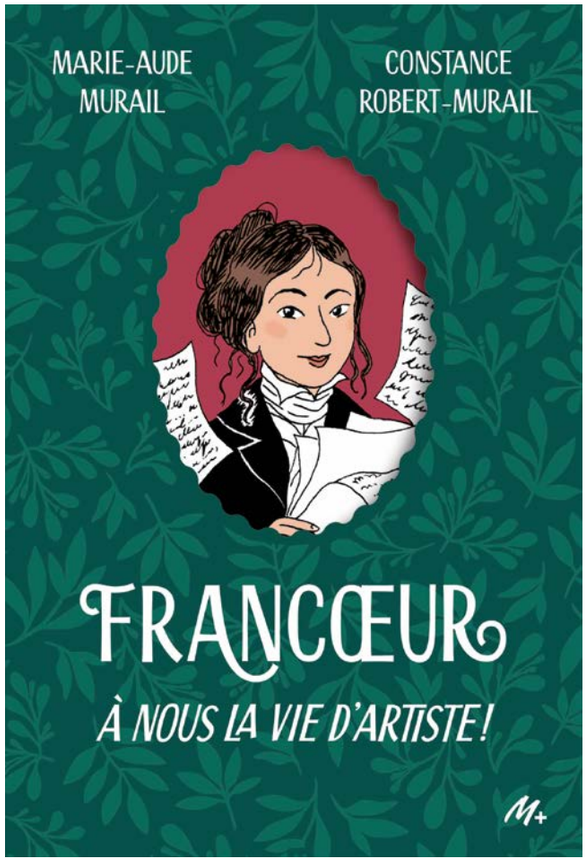
#passionatelove #tyrannicalfather #abuse #rebellion #childmarriage #Roma #England

"When I come home from my boxing practice [...] they're all there, from my nephew to my grandfather. My three brothers are there, and my grandmother Edna, which is rare at this time of the day. Rose and her cousins are also sitting around the table. My mother's voice sounds strained when she says, 'Ah, Triny, how did it go? Sit down. Would you like some fruit? Maybe a scone?'
She gets up and starts buzzing around me like a bee. She caresses my shoulder and hair whenever she walks past me in the narrow, overheated space. That's not a good sign. I'd like to take a shower, but the look on all their faces is telling me to sit down. I briefly glance at Rose's beautiful charcoal eyes, and I don't like what I see. I frown and hunch my shoulders, as though preparing for a fight. My father looks serious.
[...] My uncle is the first to speak.
'You're 15 years old, goddaughter.'
I hate the sound of these solemn words. Trouble is brewing.
'You're nearly of an age to be married.'"

MARIE-AUDE MURAIL & CONSTANCE ROBERT-MURAIL



FRANCŒUR

A coming-of-age story about the life of an artist, in a romantic, bohemian, and revolutionary France. About women and the challenges they faced in the 19th century, inspired by artists that marked their era as George Sand, Rosa Bonheur, Sarah Bernhardt.

A famous novelist, journalist, activist, and fervent republican, Francœur is one of the few women to make a living from her writing in the 19th century. An exceptional achievement!
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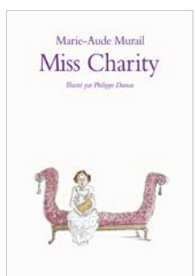
"Papé couldn't stand to see me looking so dazed and numb when I sat on my little stool for too long. 'You need to shake her up a bit,' he kept saying.
My mother decided to make me a 'woman of letters,' as they say. I knew how to read by the age of 4, which did wonders for my intellectual reputation. But writing was another matter entirely! My mother made me fill whole pages with bars and downstrokes, then I had to copy down the alphabet every day, with all the downstrokes and upstrokes. In the end, I rubbed as much ink on my nose as on the piece of paper as I impatiently thought about all the wonderful things that had been written in the tales my mother read to me. Why couldn't I do the same?
My head was full of handsome princes and cruel queens, enchanted pools and dragons slumbering deep in their caves. So I started to write 'my novels,' as my mother used to say with a laugh. They were a series of rather random letters and symbols, almost like hieroglyphs, representing my characters or the magical objects required to spin my stories."

BY MARIE-AUDE MURAIL



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Whale, solidarity, sea life, environment



Action/espionage (pastiche), comedy, adventure, mystery

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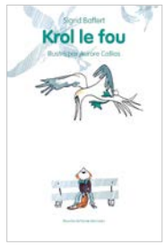
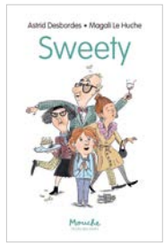
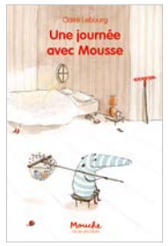


Friendship, friendship dynamics, moving, family relationships



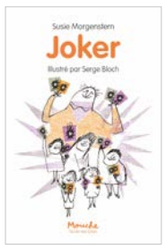
Humor, London, pets



Friendship, mutual aid



Humor, Vikings, gender



Humor, school, life lessons



Humor, Human body, school



Gender, stereotypes, environmental issues, feminism, solidarity

8+



Birth, new baby, child-adult relationships

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Humor, Good vs evil, temptation



Comedy, family, relationships between children and adults, film



Baking, pastry, industrial food culture, parent-child relationships



Adventure, detective, Czechoslovakia



Mystery, thriller, investigation, mafia



Comedy, parent/child relationship



Adventure, heroic fantasy, handicap, solidarity



Death, Family secrets



Fantastic creatures, siblings



Animals, adventure, morality



Adventure, exploration, animal discovery, family drama



Humor, school life



Middle school, knights, bravery, courtly love, initiation



Family, transmission, passions

NOVELS WITH ENGLISH SUMMARY NOTES AVAILABLE

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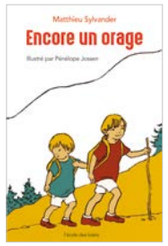
Ecology, animal rights, upcycling



Vampire, monsters, cinema, power of imagination



Soccer, family, brotherhood



Nature, mountains, being different, mourning



Gender, women's status



Gender, women's status

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Guilt, growing up, friendship



Teasing, friendship, secrets



Feminism, 19th-century Paris, working class living conditions



Female empowerment, bringing light to female historical figures



Family, love, friendship, siblings, mourning



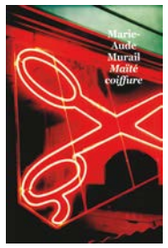
Vikings, fantasy



Bullying, coming of age, culpability, summer camp



Family, illness, guardianship



Dramedy, self-affirmation, parent-child relationships



Power of stories, women's place in society, India

Friendship, family, community, nature, growing up, secrets

Friendship, young love, religion, beliefs

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Sibling rivalry, anorexia, eating disorder

Toxic relationship, young love, abuse

Religious community, love, unlikely friendships, life choices

Dramedy, friendship, handicaps, trauma

Role of women, 17th century, love, bravery

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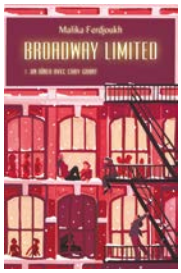
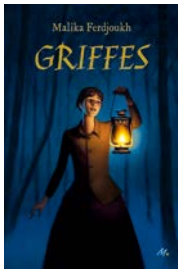


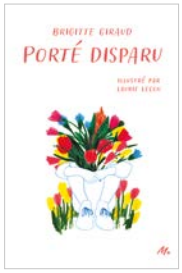
Love, dance, music, 20th-century, New York, coming of age



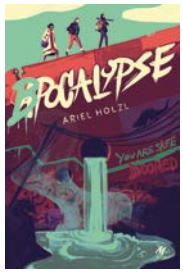
Murder, family secrets, village life



Fantasy, magic, initiation, self-identity, memory



Sexuality, solidarity, friendship



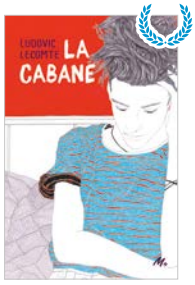
Science-fiction, post-apocalypse



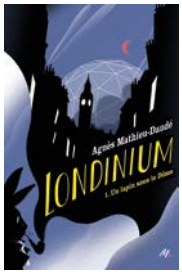
True story, illness, art, song



Western, nature writing, revenge, pioneers, feminism, violence, 19th century



Cabin fever, solidarity, eco-anxiety



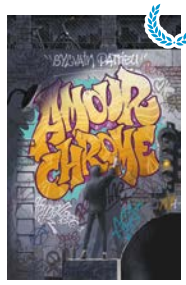
Detective fiction, investigation, animal rights, conspiracy



Fear, haunted houses, trauma



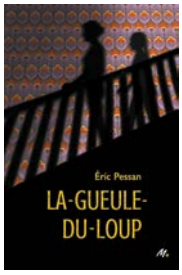
Investigation, family, drug trafficking



First love, puberty, identity, adolescence



Detective, WWI, solidarity, secrets



Horror, family secrets, supernatural, lockdown, siblings



Drama, revolt, injustice, identity



Immigration, integration, poverty, Romani, chess



Inca Empire, sacrifice, escape, archeology



High society, kidnapping, adventure



Reinvented classic, feminism



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