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# Christmas

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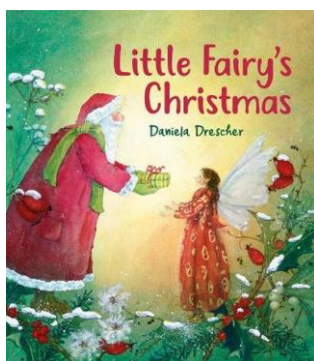


**One Christmas in Our Building**  
A Very Merry Mystery

*By Johanna Lindemann, Andrea Stegmaier*

Emma can't wait for Christmas -- the tree, the presents, the tasty turkey dinner! Her dad and stepmum Susan want Christmas to be perfect, but things aren't going to plan -- and then their turkey disappears! Will Christmas be ruined? As Emma encourages her parents to appreciate what they have, their neighbours -- the Taylor-Wilsons, the Singhs and Mrs Angel -- come knocking to share their own festive traditions and help the family have a very merry Christmas. One Christmas in Our Building is a unique and heart-warming picture book about community spirit and the true meaning of the festive season. Johanna Lindemann beautifully, and amusingly, captures a child's perspective on Christmas, and Andrea Stegmaier's illustrations are lively, textured and full of fun details to spot.

**FLORIS BOOKS**  
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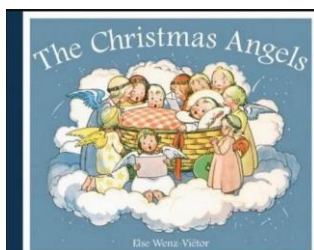


**Little Fairy's Christmas**

*By Daniela Drescher*

It's very cold outside and Faith is lost in a snowstorm. As the little fairy looks for somewhere warm to stay, she meets a kind robin, a friendly owl and a cold and hungry young elf. Then, Faith and the elf spot a light deep in the dark forest. It's Father Christmas, out delivering his presents on Christmas Eve! He takes them to the elf family where Faith spends a wonderful, warm Christmas with her new friends. This magical picture book from bestselling international illustrator Daniela Drescher has a joyful festive story that will enchant and delight young readers.

**FLORIS BOOKS**  
PICTURE BOOK  
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28 Pages  
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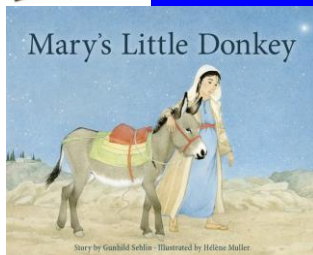
**The Christmas Angels**

*By Else Wenz-Vietor*

It's Christmas Eve, and most people are safely tucked up in their beds. But the Christmas angels know who needs their help on this holy night and are ready to fly down to help the lost, lonely and weary. Small children will love the row of cut-out angel heads which reveal the features of each little angel in turn. This is a beautiful and inspiring picture book which sings of the message of Christmas loving kindness from every page.

**FLORIS BOOKS**  
PICTURE BOOK  
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Hardback  
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## Mary's Little Donkey

*By Gunhild Sehlin, Helene Muller*

A long time ago in the Holy Land lived a scruffy little donkey who hated hard work. And then he met gentle, kind Mary, and his world changed forever. When Mary and Joseph must travel the long journey to Bethlehem, who can they rely on to get them there safely? This unique version of the traditional nativity story is told from the child friendly perspective of the little donkey, who grows in confidence and pride as Mary and Joseph place their trust in him.

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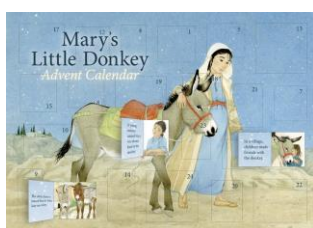
230 X 284 mm

32 Pages

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**9781782502944**

**AUD\$: 26.99**



## Mary's Little Donkey Advent Calendar

*By Gunhild Sehlin, Helene Muller*

Lift the flaps on this traditionally styled Advent calendar to reveal moments from Gunhild Sehlin's beautiful Christmas story, accompanied by H el ene Muller's exquisite illustrations. Each of the 24 windows opens to reveal a picture detail from the story and, on the back of the window, a short extract from the words of the story. In that way, the story of Mary and Joseph's journey can be charmingly told, day by day, over the Advent season.

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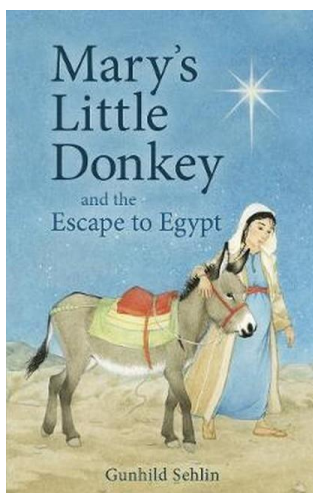
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## Mary's Little Donkey and the Escape to Egypt 3/e

*By Gunhild Sehlin, Jan Verheijen*

A long time ago in the Holy Land lived a dirty little donkey who hated hard work. And then he met gentle, kind Mary, and his world changed forever. When Mary and Joseph are told they have to go to Bethlehem, who will carry Mary on the long journey? And when Herod's soldiers come looking for them, who will help them escape across the desert to Egypt? This is an exciting and beautifully told version of the Christmas story and the early years of little Jesus's life, from a unique, child-friendly perspective. It is ideal for family reading through the Advent season.

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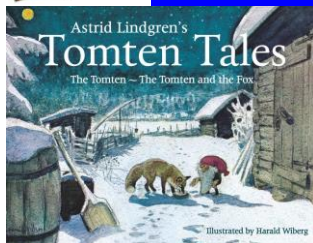
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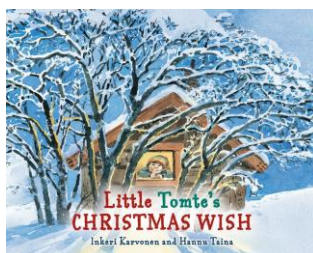
## Astrid Lindgren's Tomten Tales

### The Tomten and The Tomten and the Fox

*By Astrid Lindgren, Harald Wiberg*

On small silent feet, the Tomten tiptoes through the snow, keeping watch over the farm on chilly winter nights. One night, a cunning fox comes by. How will the Tomten guard the chickens, and help the hungry fox? These classic stories are a delight for young children, depicting the traditional Swedish character of the house elf, or tomten. This is a beautiful collector's combined edition of Astrid Lindgren's two classic Tomten tales, The Tomten & The Tomten and the Fox.

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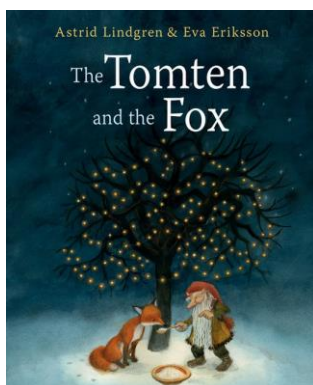


## Little Tomte's Christmas Wish

*By Inkeri Karvonen, Hannu Taina*

Little Tomte lives happily in his cosy house beside a beautiful tree. When winter arrives, he is worried that Christmas won't come -- until he makes a special Christmas wish. He embarks on a candle-making plan which will help make his wish come true. A heartwarming festive tale drawn with gentle humour by acclaimed Finnish illustrator Hannu Taina.

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## Tomten and the Fox

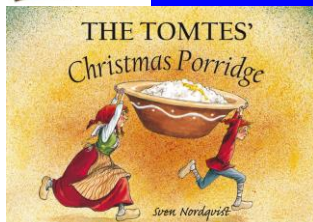
*By Astrid Lindgren, Eva Eriksson*

It's a cold winter's night and a hungry fox is creeping through the snow. He sees a hen house full of tasty chickens to eat - but he's forgotten about the old tomten who guards the farm... This is a classic story of a mischievous fox, a wise, kindly tomten and their unlikely friendship. This new edition of the much-loved picture book from the bestselling author of Pippi Longstocking is accompanied by beautiful illustrations by popular illustrator Eva Eriksson. Depicting the traditional Swedish character of the house elf, or tomten, this classic story is perfect for sharing with young children on a wintry evening. Eriksson's illustrations of the wry fox and the watchful gnome are full of character and warmth, and her moonlit, snowy scenes are the perfect landscape for an active imagination. From 4-7 years.

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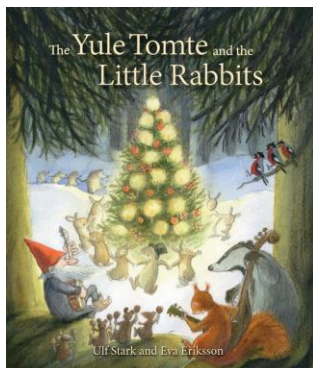


## Tomtes' Christmas Porridge

*By Sven Nordqvist*

Every Christmas Eve, the Master puts out rice pudding for the tomtes to say thank you for their help around the house throughout the year. But recently the Master has forgotten, and Mama tomte knows he'll forget again this year. The elves hatch a plot to steal a bowl of Christmas pudding, without being seen, so that Papa tomte doesn't get angry. This charming story is based on an old Swedish Christmas tradition. It is illustrated with great humour and is full of delightful detail, as the tomte family scurry around their master's house one busy Christmas Eve.

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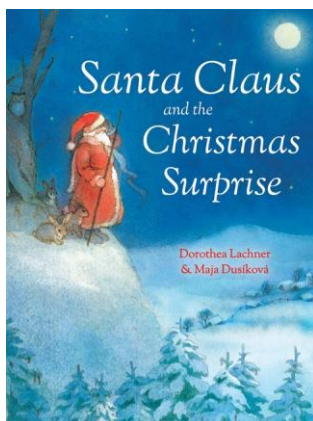
## Yule Tomte and the Little Rabbits

**A Christmas Story for Advent**

*By Ulf Stark, Eva Eriksson*

Grump the Yule Tomte lives all alone, which is exactly how he likes it! He's waiting for Christmas to arrive when all of a sudden, a gust of wind steals his mittens from the washing line and his hat from his head. That's the last straw -- he won't be the Yule Tomte anymore! Binny and Barty, the rabbit children, live with their family in the forest. They've never heard of Christmas, or the Yule Tomte, until the wind brings them some strange gifts. All the animals in the forest prepare for the arrival of Christmas. They make presents, bake sweet treats and even write a song. But will the Yule Tomte ever bring Christmas to the big forest? This charming and funny Christmas story of a grumpy tomte and the hopeful little rabbits is told over twenty-five chapters -- one for each day of Advent -- with delightful festive illustrations. Perfect for families to share together.

**FLORIS BOOKS**  
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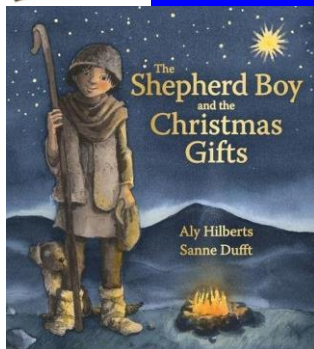
## Santa Claus and the Christmas Surprise

*By Dorothea Lachner, Maja Dusiková*

Christmas is coming but Anna and Michael's village is cut off by deep snow. They're worried that Santa Claus won't reach them, so they send him a special wish. Santa Claus hears their wish and brings the village a surprise. Can the neighbours work together to reach their Christmas gift? This is a gorgeously illustrated Christmas story about hope and community spirit, with a dash of traditional seasonal magic from much-loved illustrator Maja Dusiková.

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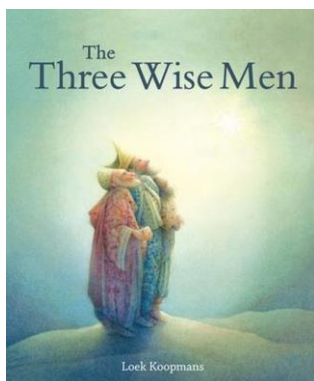


## Shepherd Boy and the Christmas Gifts

*By Aly Hilberts, Sanne Dufft*

Nathan wants to be a shepherd like his father, but he also loves to craft beautiful figures from wood and wool he collects on the hills. His father loses patience, and Nathan agrees to throw away his toys and look after the sheep more carefully. Then one night an angel appears to the shepherds and tells them that a special child has been born. Nathan knows they must go and see the baby -- but what can be bring as a gift? A heart-warming and unique version of the Christmas story, suitable for young children, with joyful artwork from German illustrator Sanne Dufft.

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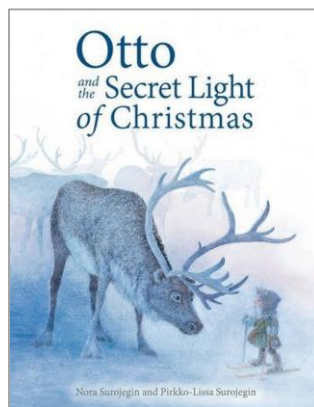


## The Three Wise Men A Christmas Story

*By Loek Koopmans*

Long, long ago, a very special star appeared in the night sky. It shone more brightly than all the other stars. Three wise men called Melchior, Caspar and Balthasar gazed at the star in wonder. They had never seen anything like it before. In this beautifully illustrated book the three Kings decide to journey west, following the star to a very special destination. Loek Koopmans' retelling of one part of the Christmas story is full of life and character, as well as mystery and wonder. This charming traditional tale will help young children celebrate the nativity.

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## Otto and the Secret Light of Christmas

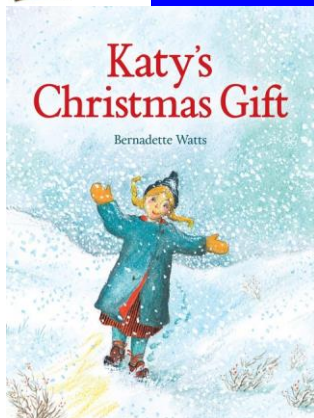
*By Nora Surojegin, Pirkko-Liisa Surojegin*

One day elfin seafarer, Otto, finds a postcard on the seashore showing pictures of beautiful sparkling lights in the night sky with the words, 'The light of Christmas!' If this 'Christmas' can brighten even the gloomiest Finnish winter, Otto decides he must find it. So, he heads north, trudging through dark forests and skiing towards the fells of Lapland in search of the secret light of Christmas. On his way he meets the mighty Kekri, king of the forest, Niiu, a beautiful leaf fairy, a hungry badger, a friendly bear and the infamous Ironworm. But will he ever find the mysterious light he's looking for, and will Christmas brighten Otto's winter?

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 270 X 220 mm  
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## Katy's Christmas Gift

**By Bernadette Watts**

Katy sets out in the snow to visit the new baby born in the innkeeper's stable. She is bringing gifts: a loaf of bread, her cat Sasha and, most importantly, her favourite toy -- a wooden bird whistle. But Sasha doesn't want to play in the cold snow, and the animals of the forest eat the bread. Soon Katy's carefully chosen gifts are gone -- except the most special one of all. As the snow gets deeper and she gets colder, Katy wonders whether she'll ever have the chance to give her gift to the baby? Katy's Christmas Gift is a heart-warming and original version of the Christmas story for young children. Bernadette Watt's lively illustrations are full of colour, light, joy and festive feeling.

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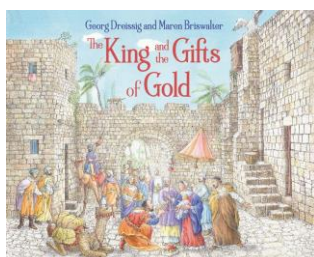
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## King and the Gifts of Gold

**By Georg Dreissig, Maren Briswalter**

There was once a powerful king so rich that he was known as the King of Gold. The king took his riches for granted until one day a wondrous star appeared and he was inspired to follow it into the desert. In the small town of Bethlehem, the king bowed to the baby Jesus, the greatest king of all, and offered to him a gift of gold. The king was forever changed by his encounter with the Christ child and vowed to give away all his gold to the poor. But not everyone was happy. Determined to keep the riches for themselves, the king's servants abandon him in the desert. The king becomes a poor storyteller, wandering through towns and villages, dedicating his life to sharing the story of the child king Jesus. But when he finally arrives back in his own kingdom, what will he find? This is the inspiring story of Melchior, one of the three kings who took gifts to the baby Jesus.

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Hardback

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32 Pages

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## My First Snow Children

**By Sibylle von Olfers**

Poppy is watching the snow fall outside her window when she realises that the snowflakes are really Snow Children, dancing and whirling in the garden. The Snow Children whisk Poppy away to the Snow Queen's wintry kingdom, where the Princess is having a party! My First Snow Children is a lively abridgment of the traditional classic The Story of the Snow Children. Presented for the first time as a beautiful board book for very young children, it includes all of Sibylle von Olfers's original art-nouveau illustrations, sympathetically adapted to fit the new format. A perfect story for wintry nights, My First Snow Children is a charming tale of magic and imagination, filled with sparkle and dancing snowmen. From 1 to 4 years.

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Board book

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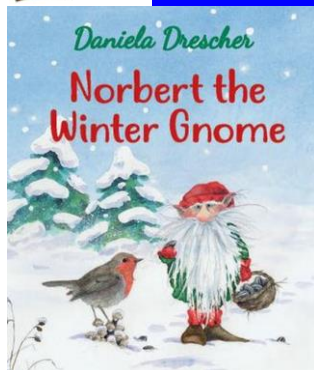
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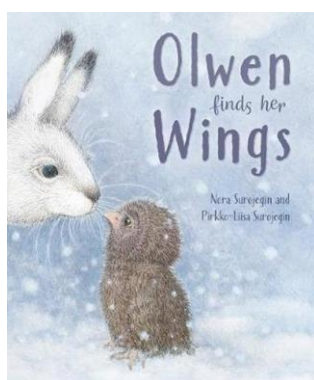


## Norbert the Winter Gnome

By Daniela Drescher

Winter has arrived, and the forest is covered in snow. But with the tree branches bare and the grass frozen, what will the forest animals eat? Norbert the Winter Gnome decides to visit his hungry friends, trekking through the icy forest to bring each of them a delicious gift. From Daniela Drescher, the much-loved creator of Pippa and Pelle and In the Land of Fairies, this beautifully illustrated board book about friendship and kindness is full of seasonal detail that will captivate young readers.

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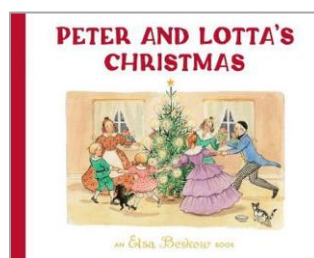


## Olwen Finds Her Wings

By Nora Surojegin, Pirkko-Liisa Surojegin

Olwen the baby owl isn't happy. Sitting on her branch is boring. What else can little owls do? Olwen longs to be just like hare, squirrel and bear but no matter how hard she tries she can't hop, scamper or roar. That's not what owls do. But the little owl soon discovers that she might be able to do something just as wonderful. Can Olwen find her wings and soar? This sweet and charming picture book sensitively explores the longing to be different and celebrates embracing what makes us special. With expressive, intricate illustrations and a lively story, mother and daughter team Nora and Pirkko-Liisa Surojegin have created a loveable picture book full of heart.

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## Peter and Lotta's Christmas

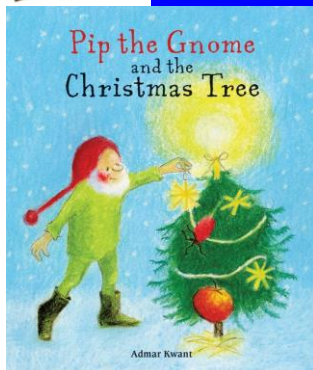
By Elsa Beskow

When Peter and Lotta spend their first Christmas with Aunt Green, Aunt Brown, Aunt Lavender and Uncle Blue, they are amazed by all the surprises. Before Christmas comes around again the children are determined to discover where the presents really come from and give their aunts and uncle special gifts. Then on Christmas Eve, Peter and Lotta's kindness and generosity is rewarded with something unexpected! This is a delightful story for young children from the world-renowned Swedish author--illustrator Elsa Beskow which celebrates Swedish Christmas traditions and being a good neighbour. Elsa Beskow's Peter and Lotta stories, about two children living with their aunts and uncle, are full of gentle humour and charm. This wonderful new edition faithfully reproduces Beskow's classic illustrations in a collectable picture book featuring a unique hand-crafted design, premium-quality paper, gold foil signature and a luxurious cloth spine.

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## Pip the Gnome and the Christmas Tree

*By Admar Kwant*

Pip the gnome gets help decorating a Christmas tree from his friend's robin, rabbit and mouse. Discover the beautiful, natural things they bring: a red apple, soft woollen thread, golden straw, and a bright, shiny rosehip. Colourful illustrations and simple words introduce very young children to the joy of preparing for Christmas. Soft, wintry colours illuminate the day from morning to dusk, ending with the candle-lit tree. Perfect for bedtime during Advent, the story ends as we say 'Happy Christmas Pip'.

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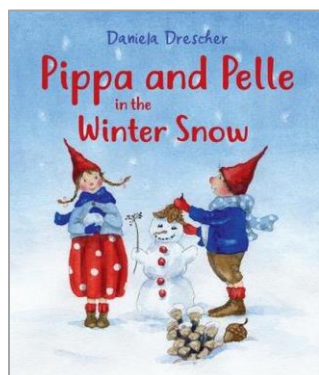
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## Pippa and Pelle in the Winter Snow

*By Daniela Drescher*

One crisp winter morning, Pippa and Pelle wake up to find their home and garden covered in a beautiful white blanket of snow. They set off by sledge and by skis to see what their animal friends are up to. How does the wise owl stay warm? Where will the quiet deer find food? What is the busy mouse up to? Young children will love finding out what animals do in the winter. Daniela Drescher's luminous and unique illustration style will capture any child's imagination and this magical board book is perfect for little hands.

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Board book

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## The Story of the Snow Children

*By Sibylle von Olfers*

Poppy is gazing out of the window at the snow when suddenly she sees that the snowflakes are really Snow Children, dancing and whirling in the garden. Soon, they whisk her away to the Snow Queen's wintry kingdom. From the author of The Story of the Root Children, this is another classic children's story with beautiful illustrations in the art-nouveau style.

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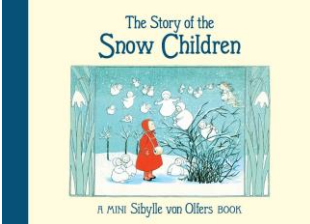
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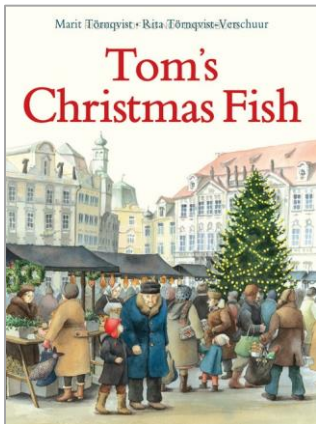


## The Story of the Snow Children

*By Sibylle von Olfers*

Poppy is watching the snow fall outside her window when she realises the snowflakes are really snow children, dancing and swirling in the air. They ask Poppy to join them and whisk her away to the Snow Queen's wintry kingdom. In the sparkling ice palace, she enjoys a feast served by snowmen and dances merrily with the snow princess. And when she is tired and homesick, the Snow Queen sends Poppy safely home to her mother on a silver sleigh pulled by snow bears. Sibylle von Olfers' vintage stories of nature children have been loved by generations. The whimsical tales are accompanied by beautiful art nouveau illustrations of characterful creatures, cheerful plants and flowers and magical little folk. This wonderful mini gift edition of The Story of the Snow Children faithfully reproduces Olfers' classic illustrations. The Sibylle von Olfers library also includes full size editions, and board books for very young children.

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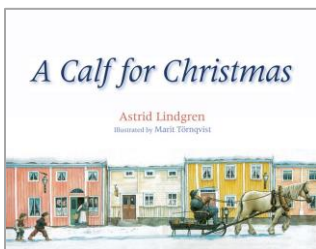


## Tom's Christmas Fish

*By Rita Toernqvist-Verschuur, Marit Toernqvist*

The traditional Christmas meal in Prague isn't turkey or ham, but a special kind of Christmas fish. On Christmas Eve, Tom chooses his live fish at the market, and calls it Peppo. He carefully carries it home, through the streets of Prague's old town, in a big bag of water. Tom loves his new pet, but what fate awaits Peppo as the Christmas meal draws near? This charming, child-friendly story presents one culture's Christmas traditions in fascinating detail. At its core is a heartwarming tale of a boy and his grandpa, as they both learn about doing the right thing. Marit Toernqvist's accomplished artwork vividly brings Tom and Peppo's story, and the beautiful city of Prague, to life.

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## Calf for Christmas

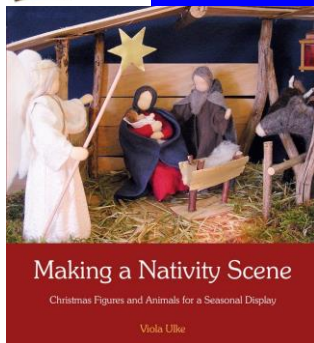
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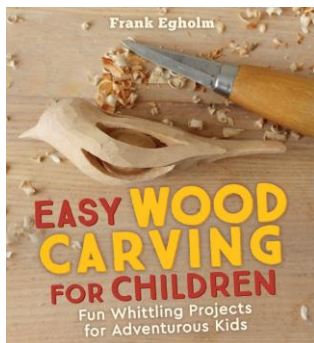


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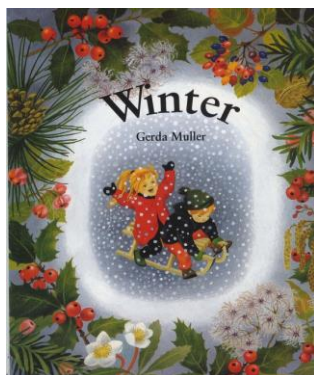


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