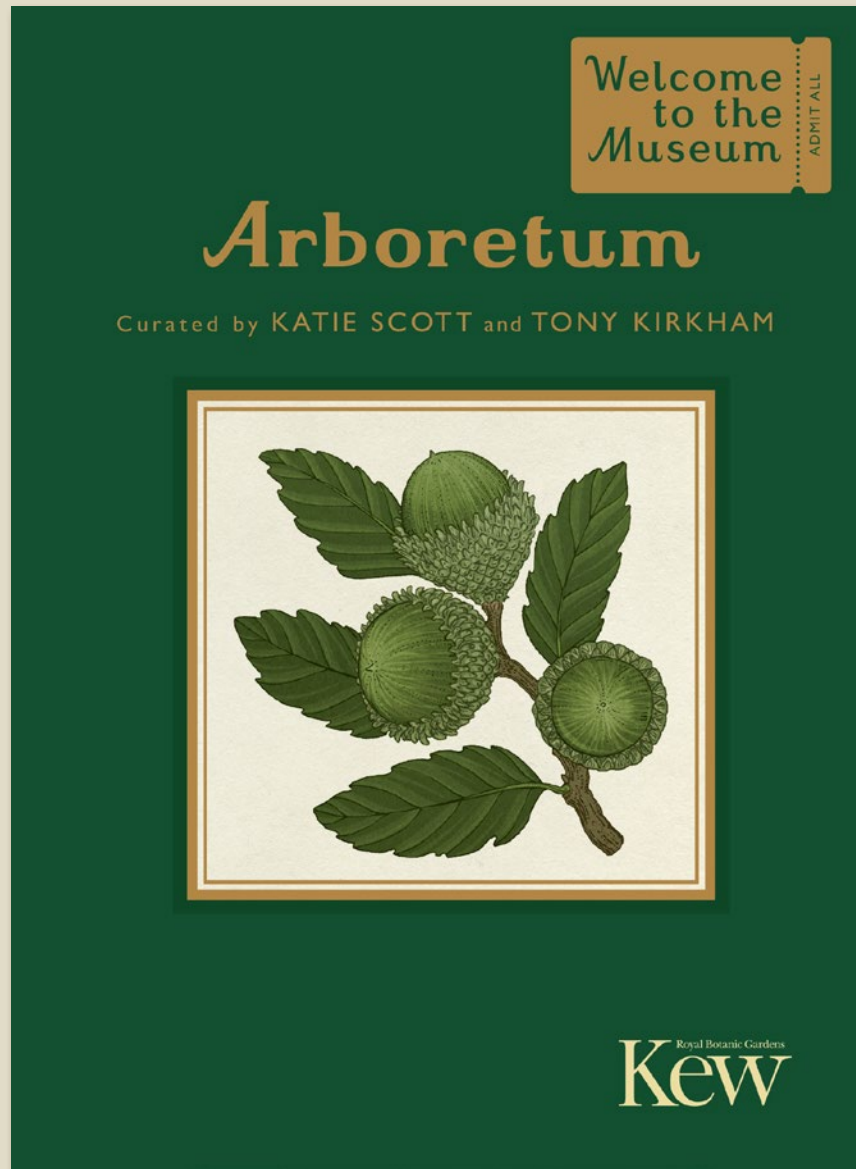




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Arboretum Mini Gift

TEMPERATE CONIFER FORESTS



Boreal Conifers

One of the most ancient tree species, conifers are synonymous with boreal forests. Densely packed green firs spruce and pines all tower high above the dark, damp ground below, while in autumn, the larch brightens up the scene with a warm golden glow.

'Conifer' basically means 'cone-bearing' and, instead of flowers, these trees produce seeds in cones. Conifers are evergreen which means they start producing food as soon as they wake up after the winter and don't have to wait for new needles to grow. The larch is the odd one out being a deciduous conifer: it loses its needles each year. However larches have delicate needles compared to evergreen conifers, so they are quicker and easier to grow.

Although their growth is slow, conifers have adapted to be able to cope with the harsh weather. Their recognisable narrow, conical-shaped canopies are made up of flexible branches that sweep downwards. This design helps to shed heavy snowfall and reduce the potential damage to the branches from snow and strong winds.

Key to plate

1. Balsam fir Abies balsamea Height: 20m Seed cones and leaves	3. American larch Larix laricina Height: 20m Seed cones on branch
2. Black spruce Picea mariana Height: 10m a) seed b) seed cones and leaves	4. Lodgepole pine Pinus contorta Height: 20m a) female cone cones on branch b) male cone c) mature seed cone

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TEMPERATE CONIFER FORESTS

Redwoods

The majestic redwoods are record-breaking conifers and include some of the largest and tallest trees on Earth. One impressive coast redwood called 'Hyperion' has reached the dizzying height of just over 115m. The oldest specimen on record is estimated to be 3500 years old.

The dawn redwood grows in China, while the giant and coast redwoods grow in North America. The North American species are never found together: the coast redwoods grow in the fog belts of the Pacific coastline and the giant redwoods in open groves further inland, on the western slopes of the Sierra Nevada mountains. Both trees have extremely wide trunks, defined by springs, compressed bark growing up to 60cm thick, and their evergreen branches start high up the trunk, which protects them from forest fires.

Unlike the two North American redwoods, the Chinese dawn redwood is a deciduous conifer with flat, leathery needle-like leaves and reddish-brown, fibrous bark. Incredibly, it was first discovered in 1941 as a 150-million-year-old fossil tree dating from the Mesozoic Era. A few years later a living specimen was found in Central China. Seeds were collected and distributed to arboreta around the world, where they grow today.

Key to plate

1. Coast redwood Sequoia sempervirens Height: 115m a) tree b) cones c) mature female seed cone	2. Giant redwood Sequoiadendron giganteum Height: 115m a) tree b) leaves and female cones c) seed d) cross section of trunk
3. Dawn redwood Metasequoia glyptostrobiloides Height: 50m a) leaves b) mature seed cone	

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TEMPERATE BROADLEAF FORESTS

Habitat: Temperate Broadleaf Forest

Temperate deciduous forests make up some of the world's most dramatic biomes. These forests produce dairy foods at the start of the growing season, transforming to lush greens, then bursting into blazing reds, oranges, yellows and browns before their leaves drop, leaving bare, skeletal structures to face the cold months ahead.

These magnificent forests occur mainly in the mid-latitude parts of the globe, encompassing parts of the United States, Canada, Europe, China, Korea, Japan and Russia and South America. All of these regions have four seasons, with no season getting too hot or too cold.

Remarkably, all these forests share similar genera of tree species, which include oaks, maples, beeches and ashes, but also have their own native species in each region. Beneath these forest giants, smaller shade-tolerant species such as dogwoods and sourwoods fill the understory and shrub layers, mingling with ferns and mosses to create perfect hidden habitats for birds and small mammals. The forest floor itself is full of insects and fungi, who enjoy the rich, fertile soil created by falling leaves and woodchips.

Key to plate

North American broadleaf forest	1. Pine Pinus strobus Height: 40m	3. Olive stone pine Ilex aquifolium Height: 10m
2. Red oak Quercus rubra Height: 40m	4. Flowering dogwood Cornus florida Height: 10m	5. White sassafras Sassafras albidum Height: 20m

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TEMPERATE CONIFER FORESTS

Boreal Broadleaves

Although boreal forests, or 'taiga', are dominated by conifers, there is also a very small but hardy selection of broadleaved trees present, including poplars, willows and birches.


While generally short-lived species, rarely reaching 100 years, these trees have many characteristics that help them survive in the taiga. They can all grow, flower and fruit during the short summer, and then shed their leaves at just the right moment to prepare for the long winter. Their compact leaves have a small surface area, which means they can be produced quickly – ideally suited for a forest with a short growing season – and they are also able to withstand strong winds.

The broadleaved trees grow near water, making the most not only of the available moisture there, but also the light levels around lakes and rivers where there is no competition from the dense-leaved conifers. In the northern tundra, these trees are short and stunted but further south, towards the temperate broadleaved forest, they have straighter trunks and grow taller.

Key to plate

1. Speckled alder Alnus incana subsp. rugosa Height: 22m a) branch b) flower	4. Balsam poplar Populus balsamifera Height: 30m Flower
2. Large-toothed aspen Populus grandidentata Height: 25m Leaf	5. White birch Betula papyrifera Height: 20m a) trunk/bark b) male flower c) leaf
3. American mountain ash Sorbus americana Height: 12m Leaves	6. Moosewood Acer pensylvanicum Height: 10m a) leaf b) twig and buds c) trunk/bark

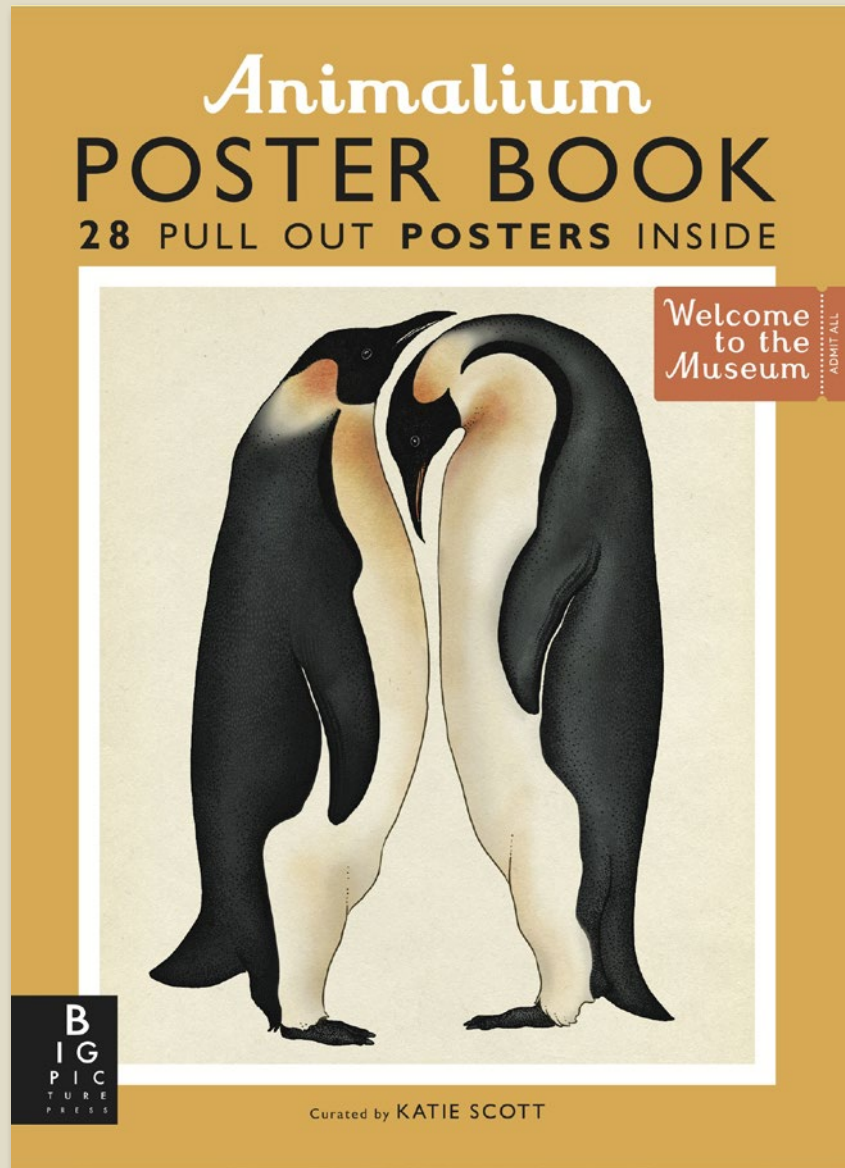
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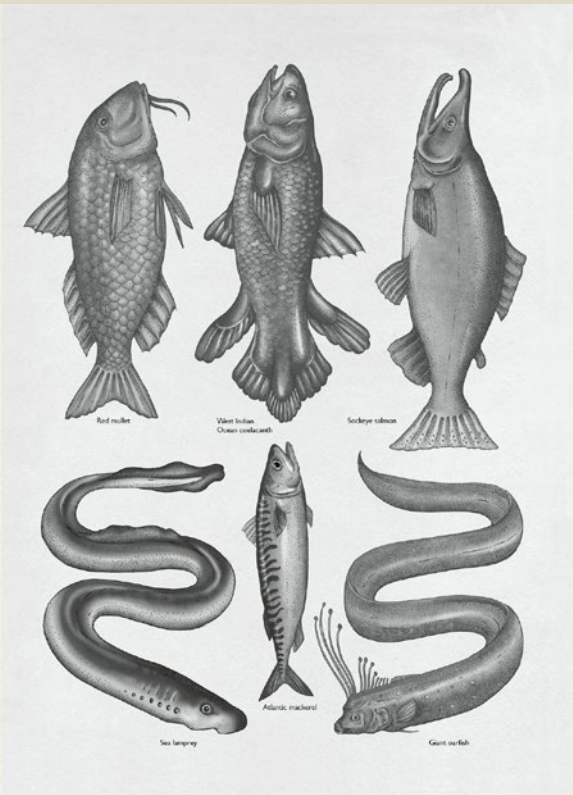
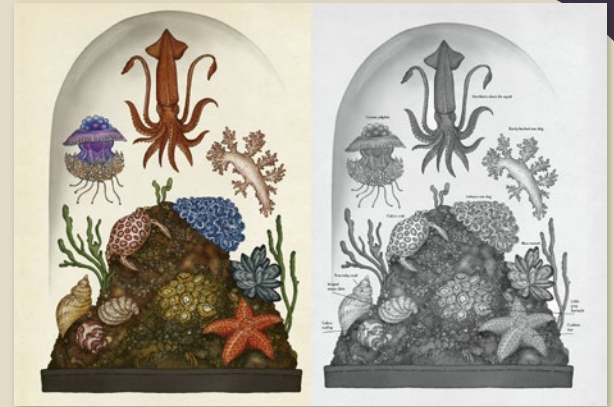
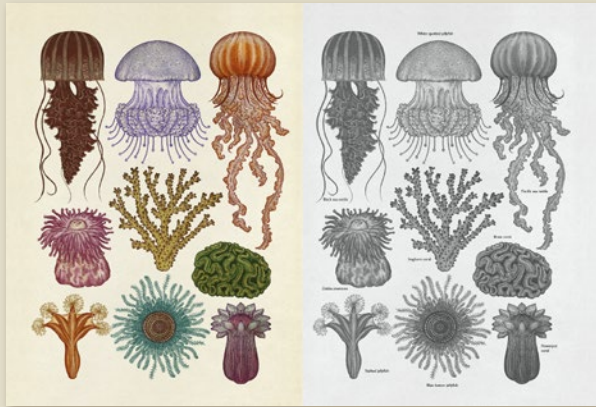
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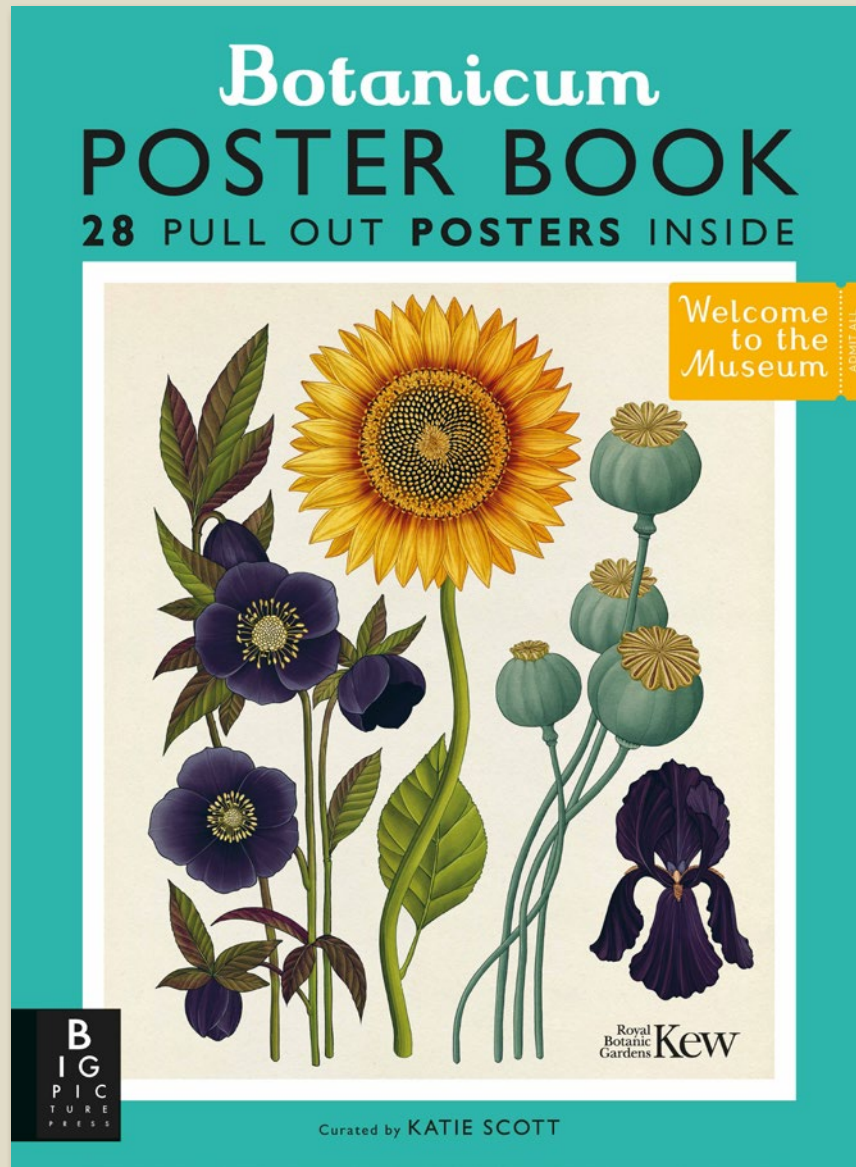
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Animalium Poster Book



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Age Range	7-9 years
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Botanicum Poster Book



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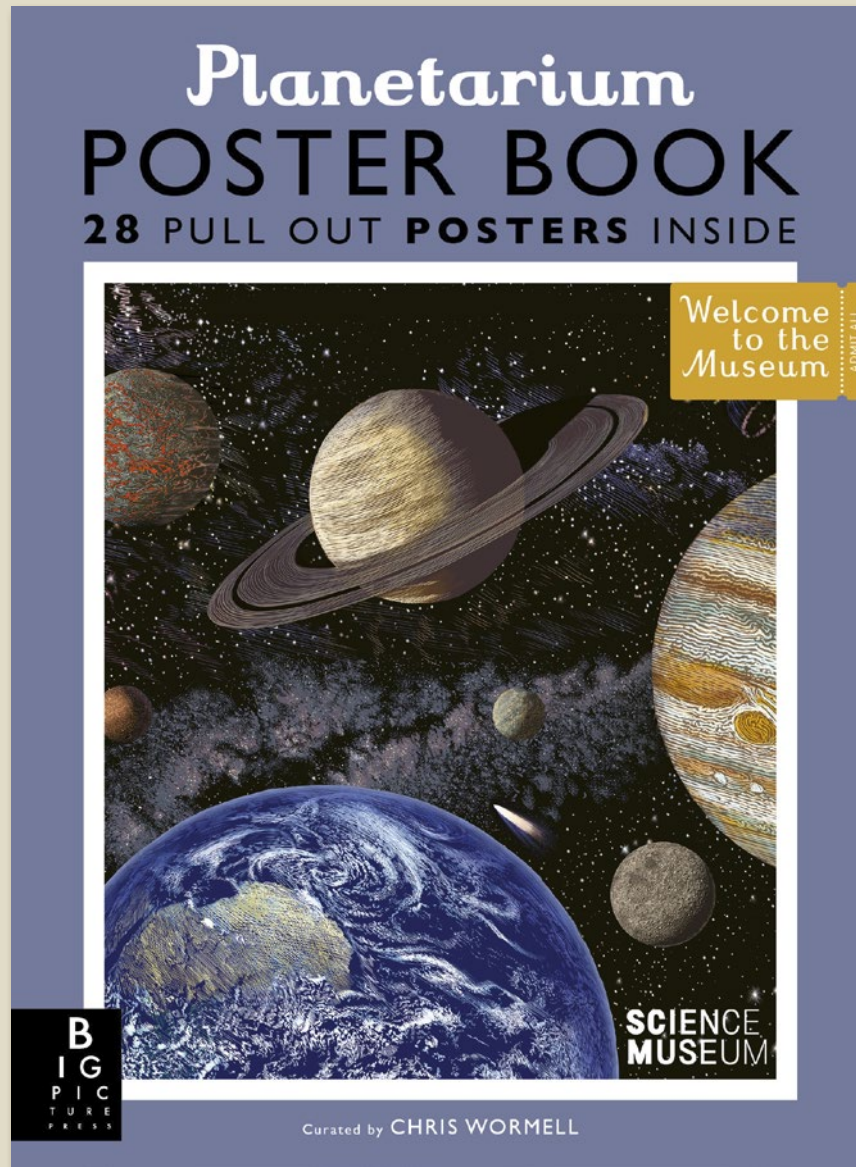
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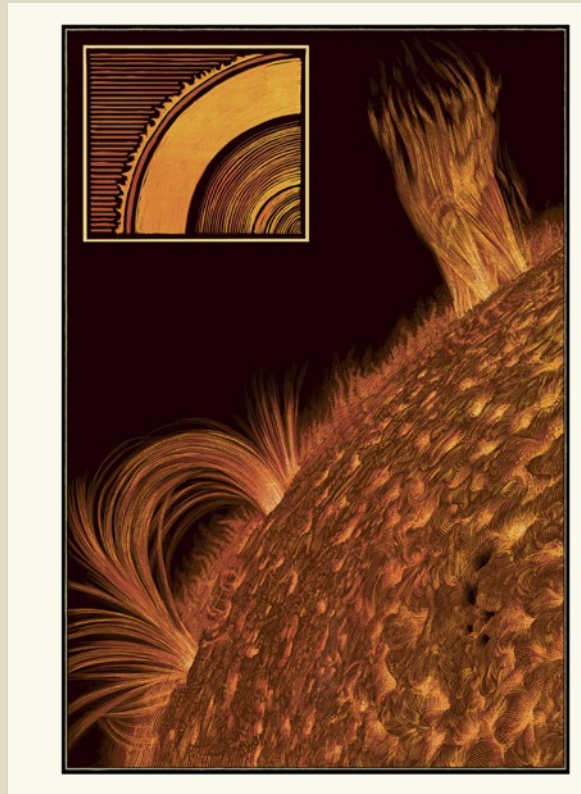
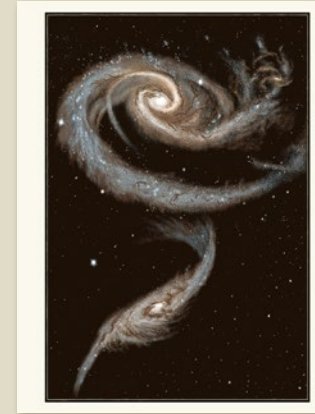
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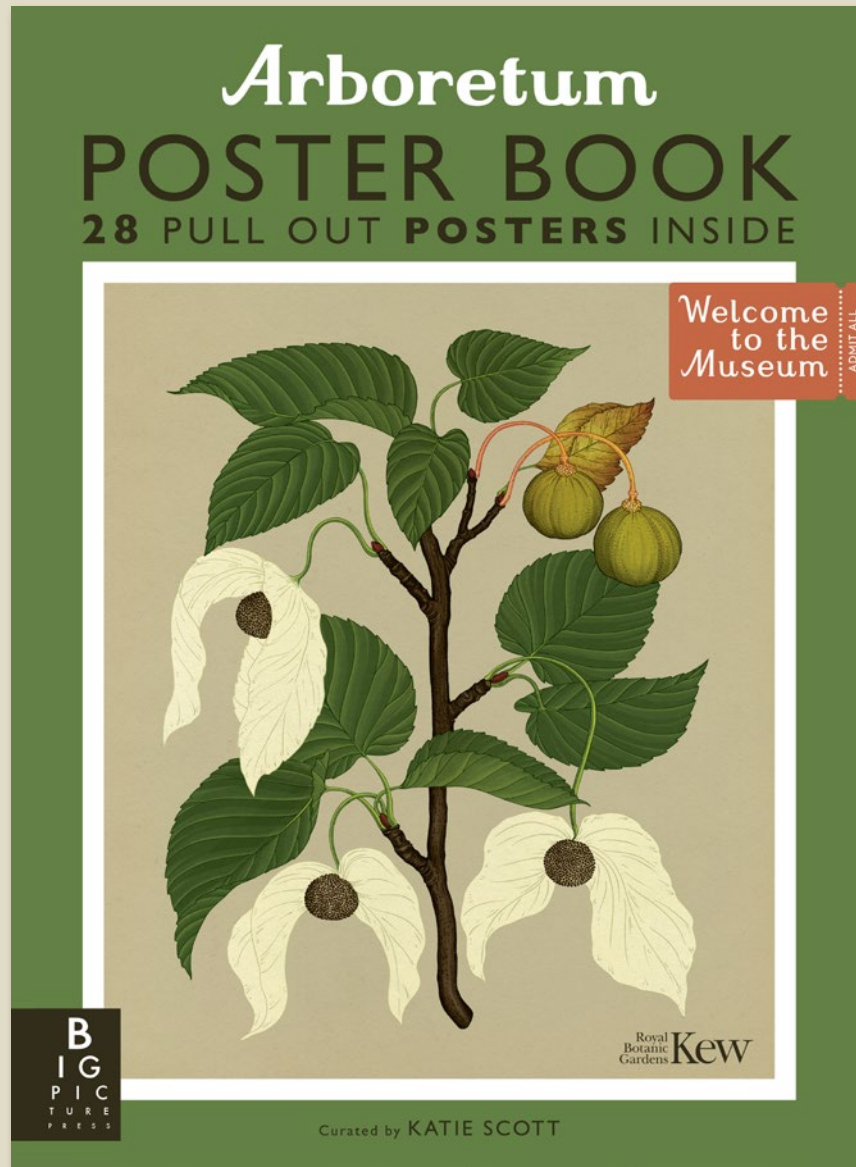
- The core Welcome to the Museum books have sold a combined quantity of over 2 million copies in 48 languages
- Stunning artwork by award-winning artist, Chris Wormell.
- Published in collaboration with the Science Museum.
- Cover treatments: Matt lam and spot UV.
- Perforated edges make the pages easy to tear out.

Planetarium Poster Book



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Arboretum Poster Book



Big, bold and beautifully illustrated, these stunning posters from Katie Scott's bestselling *Arboretum* are perfect for pinning on your walls.

- The core Welcome to the Museum books have sold a combined quantity of over 1 million copies in 48 languages (as of July 2022)
- Stunning artwork by award-winning artist, Katie Scott.
- Published in collaboration with the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew.
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Arboretum Poster Book



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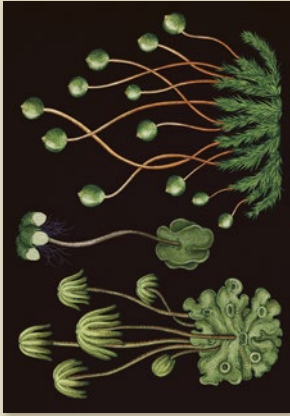
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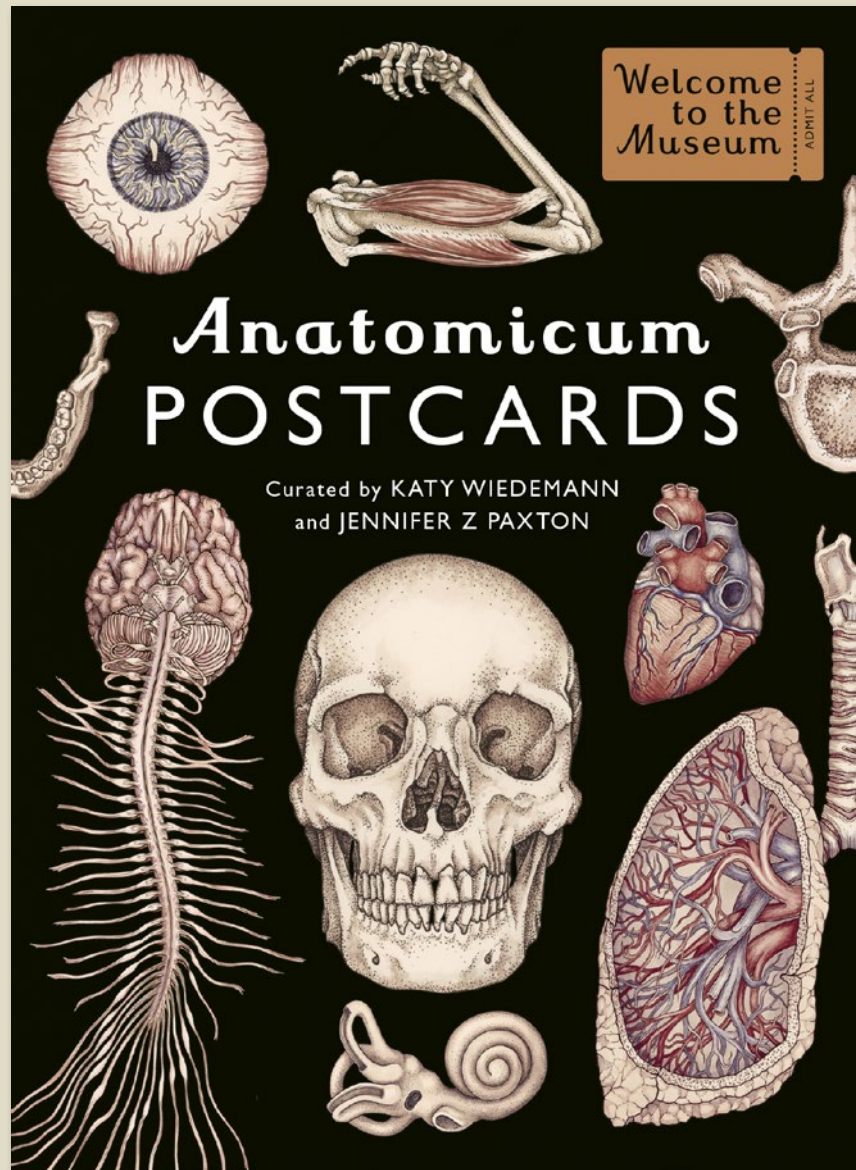
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- 50 full-colour postcards with illustrations of plants from right across the world

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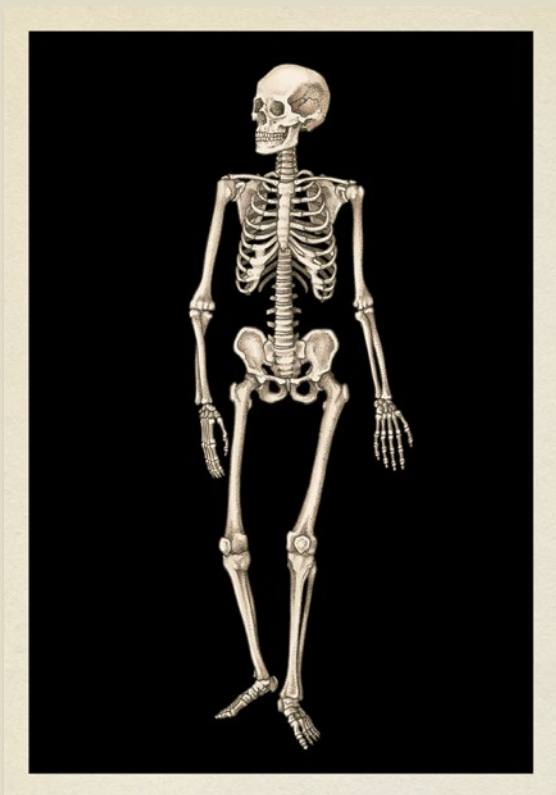
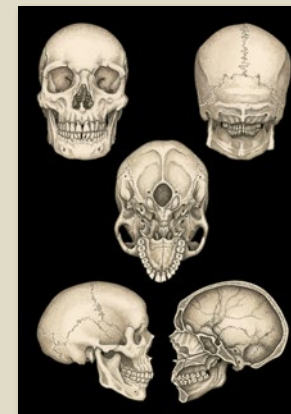
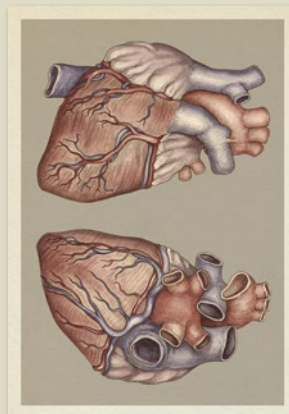
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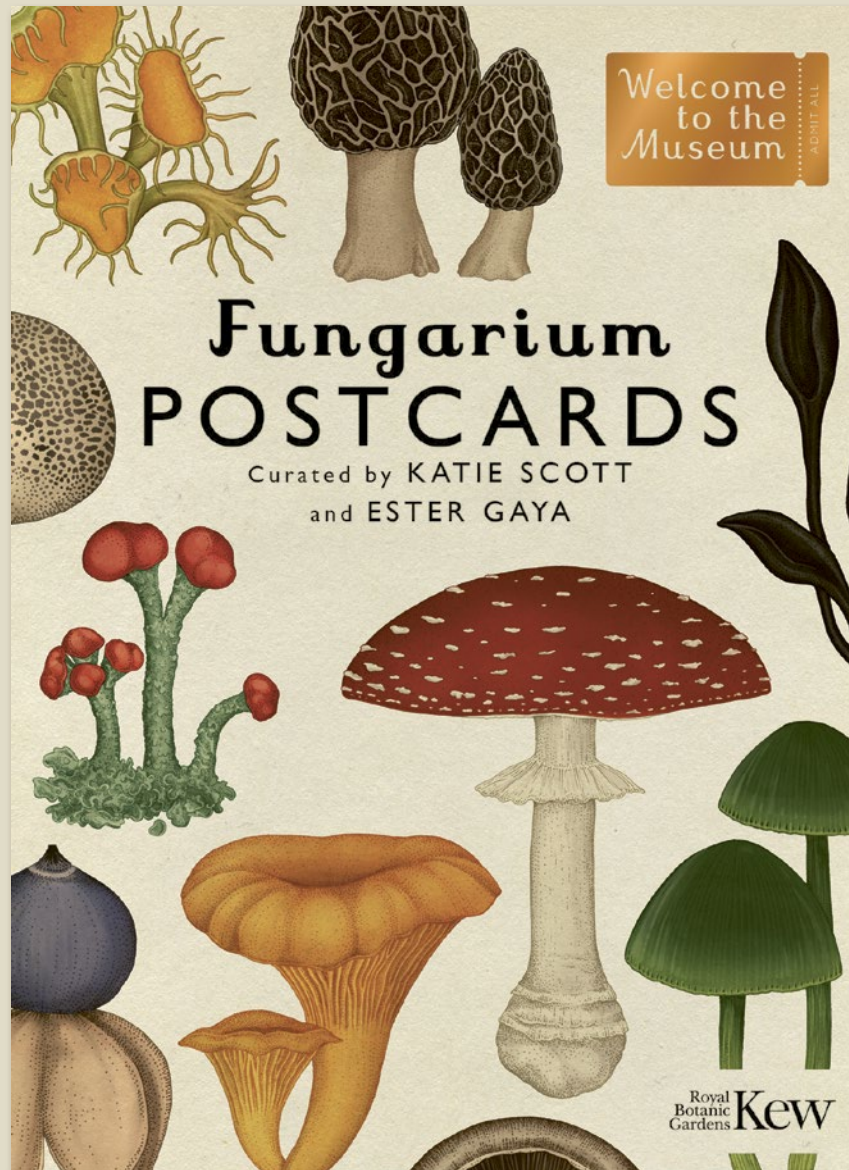
- The core *Welcome to the Museum* books have sold a combined quantity of over 1 million copies worldwide (as of July 2022)
- 50 postcards with full-colour images from *Welcome to the Museum's Anatomicum*
- High quality format makes this the ideal gift
- The UK edition features the branding of the Wellcome Collection

Anatomicum Postcard Box



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Fungarium Postcards



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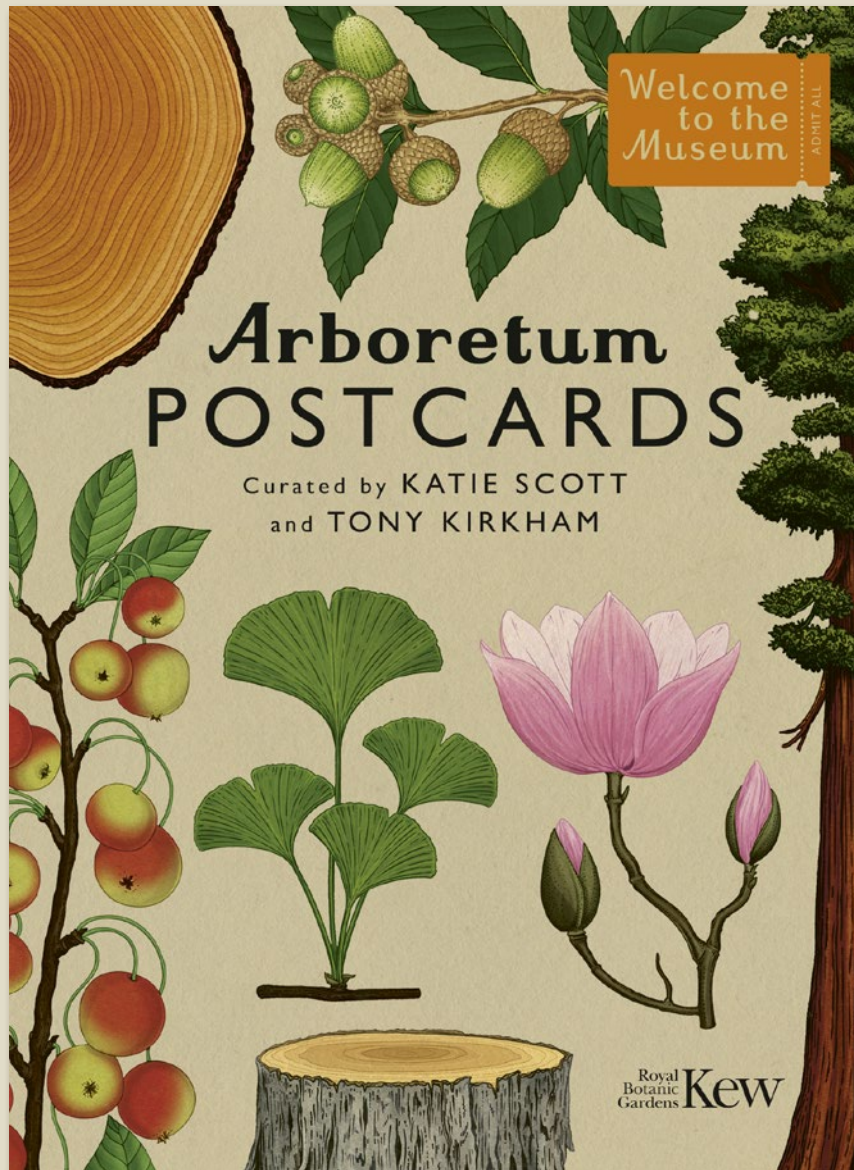
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- High-quality format makes this the ideal gift
- Features the branding of Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew
- The core *Welcome to the Museum* books have sold a combined quantity of over 1 million copies worldwide with *Fungarium* selling over 90,000 (as of July 2022)

Fungarium Postcards



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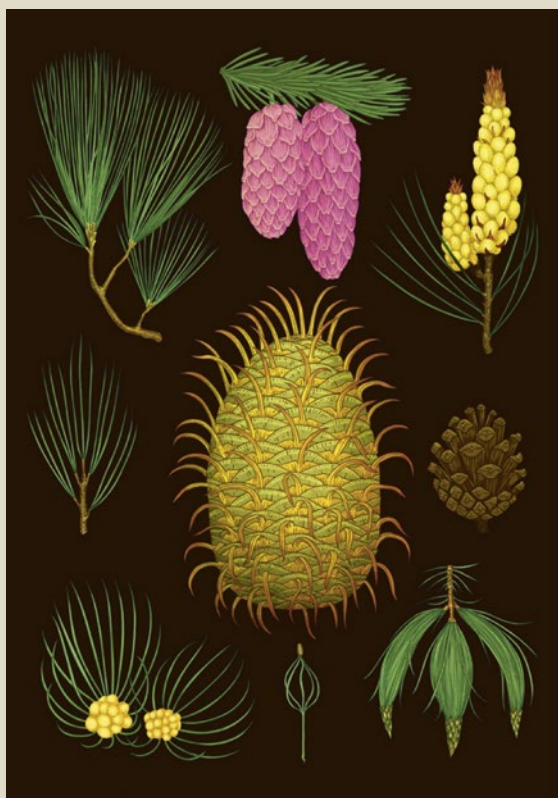
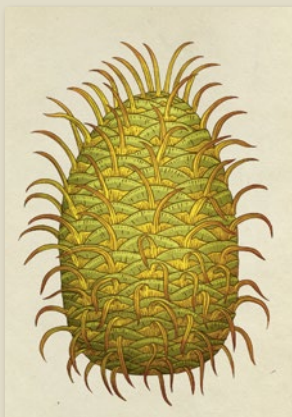
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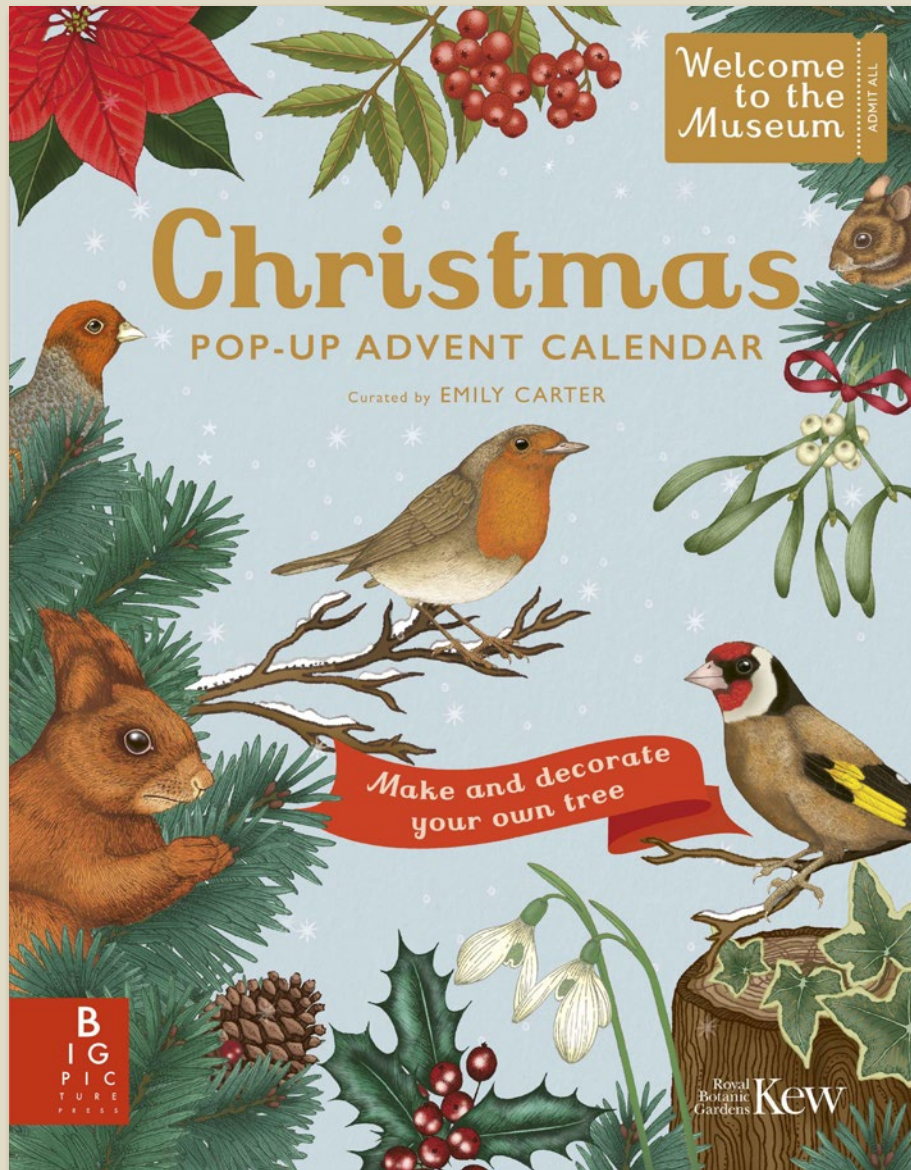
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MAMMALS

Reindeer

It is no coincidence that Father Christmas chose reindeer to pull his sleigh, as they are strong, hardy and capable of travelling more than 1,000km a year. As one of the earliest domesticated animals, reindeer share an ancient alliance with humans. These antlered deer thrive in colder climates of Europe, North America and Asia, residing in the frozen northern forests and the Arctic tundra. Covered in fur from head to hoof, reindeer use their useful dew claws to grip onto slippery surfaces and burrow through the snow, feasting on the ferns, fungi and lichen hidden below.

Unlike their magical counterparts, these animals do not need a glowing red nose to illuminate the way. As one of the few large mammals that can see ultraviolet light, reindeer are able to find food, locate predators and stay safe even in the dark, bleak winter when sunlight is scarce.

Key to plate

1: White spruce
This evergreen conifer is the most common tree in the coniferous forests of North America. However, recent studies suggest the

tree is growing further north towards the Arctic Circle. It is possible that working temperatures caused by climate change have allowed them to grow here, in an area where the soil would normally be too shallow.

2: Reindeer
Reindeer



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BIRDS

European Robin

With its rust-coloured plumage and curious expression, the European robin is a plump, small-billed bird that breeds throughout Europe, Western Asia and parts of North Africa. A much-loved sight, the robin can be spotted all year round, the welcome sound of its melodic warbling filling the frosty air even during winter. As natural ground feeders, robins can be found hopping around gardens, woodlands and parks, foraging for insects and worms.

Despite being only 14cm long, these tiny birds are fiercely territorial, puffing up their scarlet chests and fighting off any feathered intruders that invade their patch. Robins are considered modern Yuletide mascots. They first appeared on Victorian Christmas cards as an ode to the vermilion-coloured uniform of the postmen who delivered them. These postal workers were aptly nicknamed 'redbreasts'.

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1: European robin
Eurostoeuridae rubecula

This UK's most festive plant and for hundreds of years it has been used, along with ivy, to decorate homes at Christmastime. Today, this prickly plant, with its water-resistant waxy leaves and bright red berries, makes the ideal festive wreath.

2: Common holly
Ilex aquifolium

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FRUITS AND SPICES

Festive Flavours

As Christmas draws near, festive flavours walk through kitchens across the globe, filling the air with traditional aromas of nutmeg, ginger and clove. In Europe, roasted sweet chestnuts make a tasty Christmas treat, harvested from the *Castanea sativa* tree with its prickly husks and grooved bark. The ginger orange is another popular festive food, gifted to well-loved children or peppered with cloves to make a pomander ball. This practice dates back to medieval times, when such spice-studded pomander balls perfumed the frosty air to ward off bad spirits and winter illnesses.

The iconic Christmas pudding also has humble origins, dating back to a porridge-like prune dish served in the 14th century. Although it originally formed part of a British tradition, the Christmas pudding is a global festive phenomenon, enjoyed by families far and wide in countries like South Africa, Australia and Canada. This dessert is often seasoned with cinnamon, a warm, fragrant spice derived from the inner bark of the Ceylon tree of Sri Lanka.

Key to plate

1: Christmas pudding
Filled with the quintessential flavours of the festive season, Christmas puddings are packed with dried fruits, nuts, cloves and spices, and a small amount of alcohol. It has been a staple of British festive traditions since the 17th century.

2: Orange
Clinging oranges at Christmastime may be a nod to the fact that a tree called the orange tree is the source of the fruit. It is a symbol of good luck and brings from India to the UK.

3: Star anise
Star anise is the same plant as the fennel, but it has a more licorice-like flavour. It is used in many traditional Chinese dishes and is a key ingredient in the Christmas pudding.



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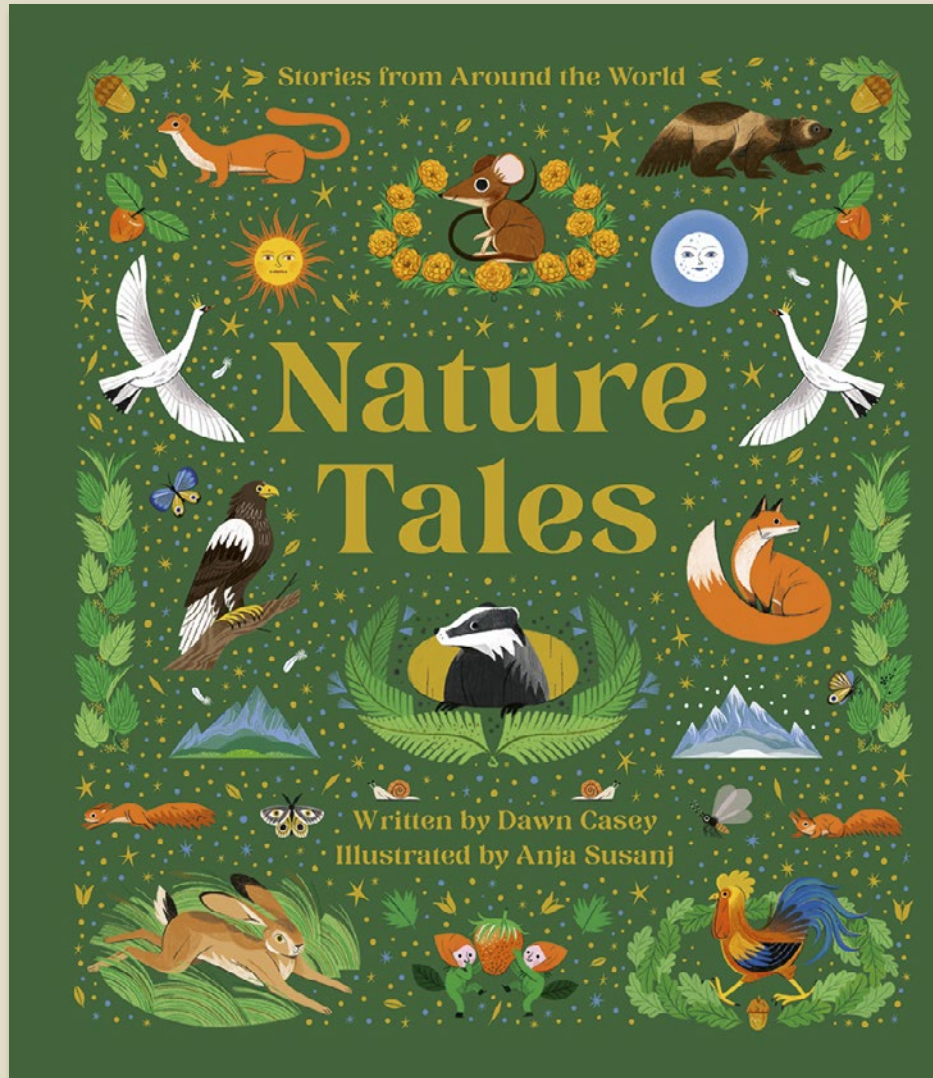
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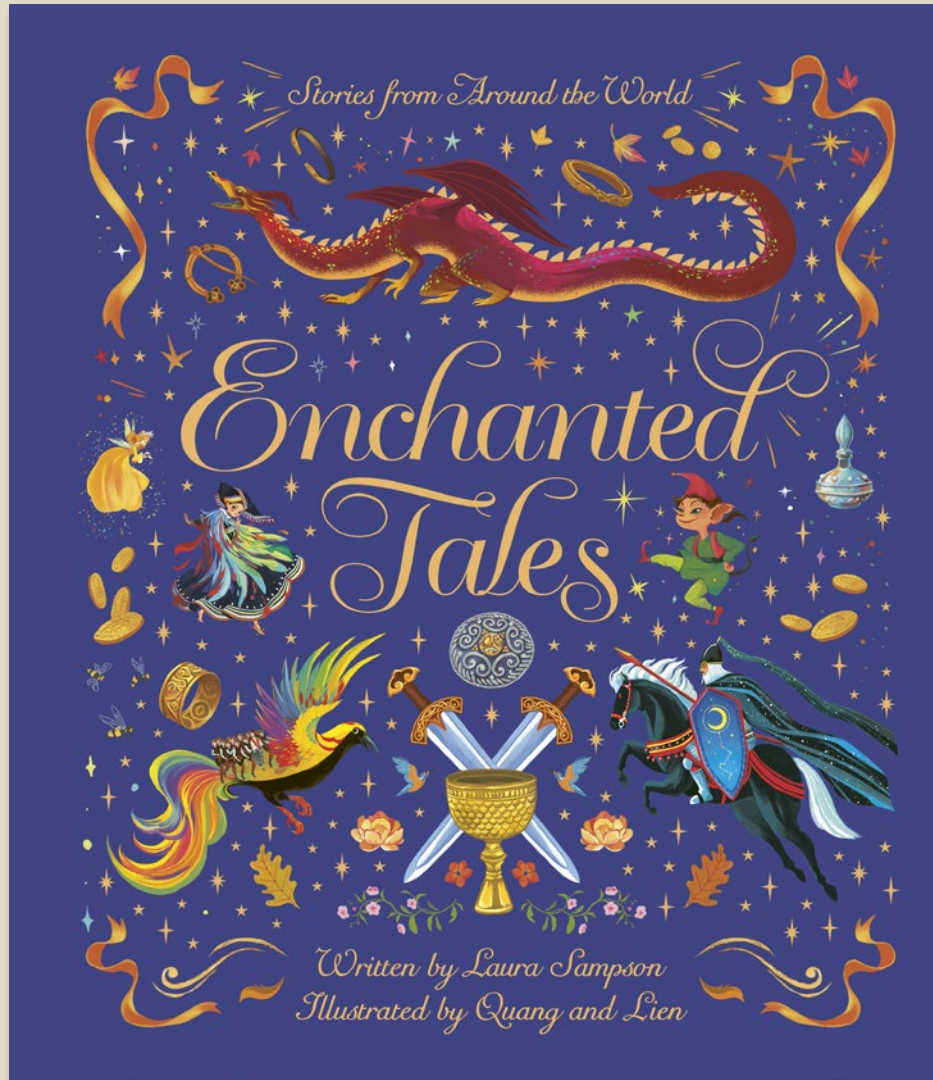
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The Magic Fish

A tale from China

The Brothers Grimm version of "Cinderella" is the one many of us are familiar with, but there are hundreds – maybe even thousands – of different versions of this tale from around the globe. This version from China was the first to be written down, over 1,000 years ago.

Once upon a time, in a little shed outside a little house in the cave mountains of Southern China, there lived an orphan called Ye-Tsien. She was bright-eyed, clever, kind and good at making things. Ye-Tsien's stepmother loved her own daughter best, so Ye-Tsien had to do all the heaviest, most dangerous work, like collecting firewood from the deep forest or water from the high mountain pools. One day, Ye-Tsien was collecting water when up from the bottom of a deep mountain pool there was a shimmering and a glittering. It travelled up and up until something broke the surface – a tiny, shining golden fish! The fish looked up at Ye-Tsien, Ye-Tsien looked back – and from that moment, the fish

The Magic Fish

and Ye-Tsien became friends. She took it home, placed it in a basin and fed it every day with scraps from her own plate. The fish grew and grew until, one day, it had grown so big she had to take it back to the pool. Still, Ye-Tsien visited the golden fish every day, and each time the fish would poke its shining golden head out of the water and greet her.

A few weeks later, the Stepmother was hungry and had an idea. Secretly, she fished Ye-Tsien to the pool. She saw how the huge, sparkling, delicious-looking fish always came out for Ye-Tsien but stayed deep under the water when anyone else came by. *How can I outwit this clever fish?* she thought.

The next day, back at home, the Stepmother gave Ye-Tsien new clothes to put on and sent her on a long errand down the mountain. Then she disguised herself in Ye-Tsien's old clothes, went to the pool and called the fish. When it bubbled up from the bottom of the pool, the Stepmother was ready with a knife. She took the golden fish home, chopped it up, cooked it and served it up to eat with her favourite daughter.

'Delicious!' they both said, wiping their mouths. They ate every morsel and threw its bones away on the rubbish heap.

The following day, Ye-Tsien hurried to the mountain pool and called – but no fish came. Big tears fell from her eyes and splashed into the empty pool. But as she cried, the air thickened, shimmering and glittering, and a figure appeared. It spoke in a voice that reminded her of safety:

*Today you cry, today you weep,
But look upon the rubbish heap.
Your fish friend's magic bones are there.
They'll grant you wishes, never fear.*



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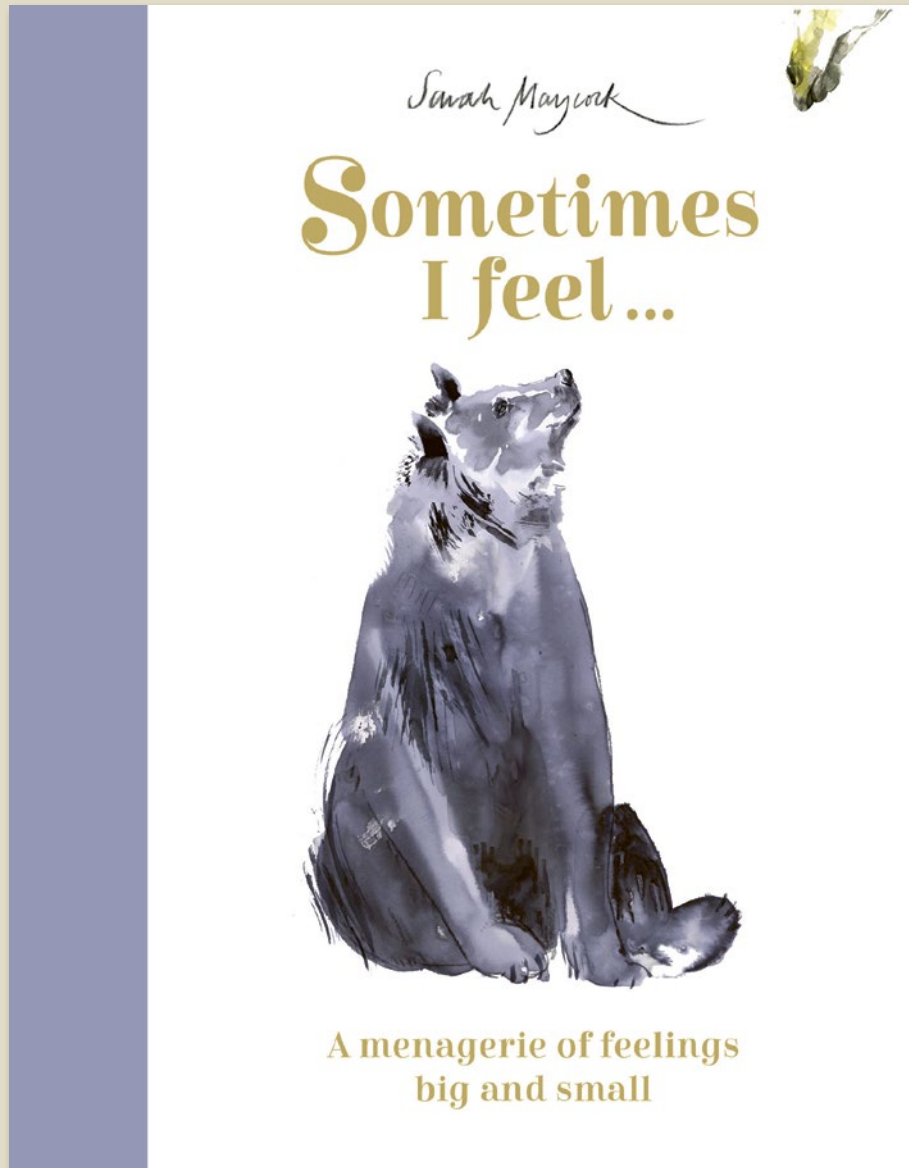
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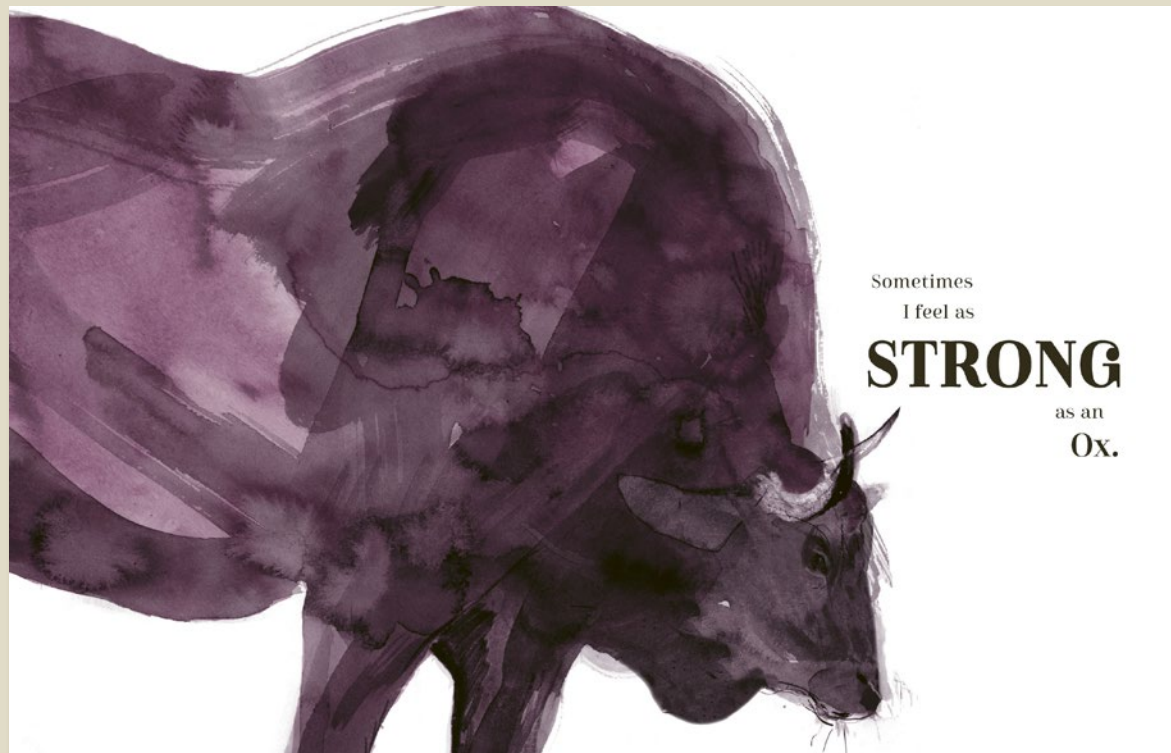
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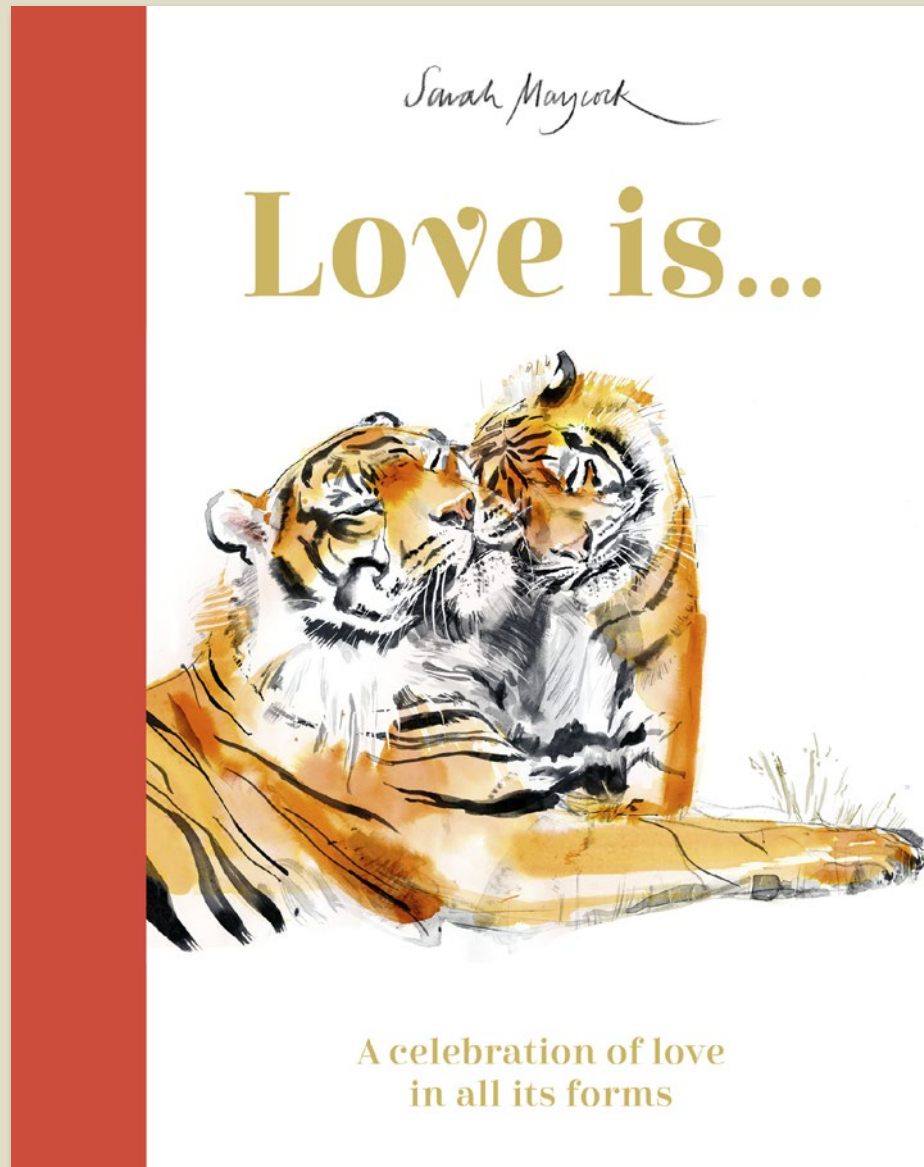
A mini hardback edition of Sarah Maycock's beautiful *Sometimes I Feel*.

- *Sometimes I Feel* has been used by several teachers in lessons, to teach emotional literacy.
- Smaller format and lower RRP to make this a covetable gift purchase.
- Sarah is an extraordinary talent and someone we'd love to publish more with (and is no doubt getting enquiries for other children's projects).
- Cover Treatments: grained cover with 100% gold foil

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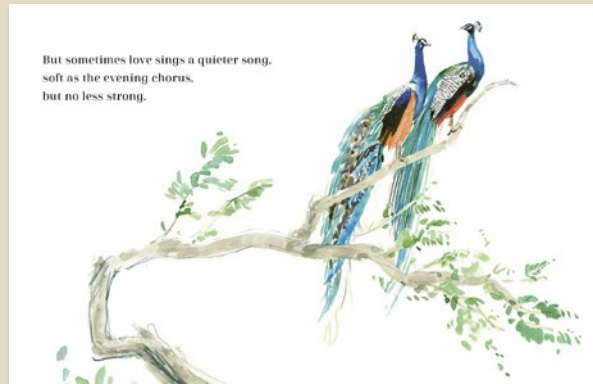


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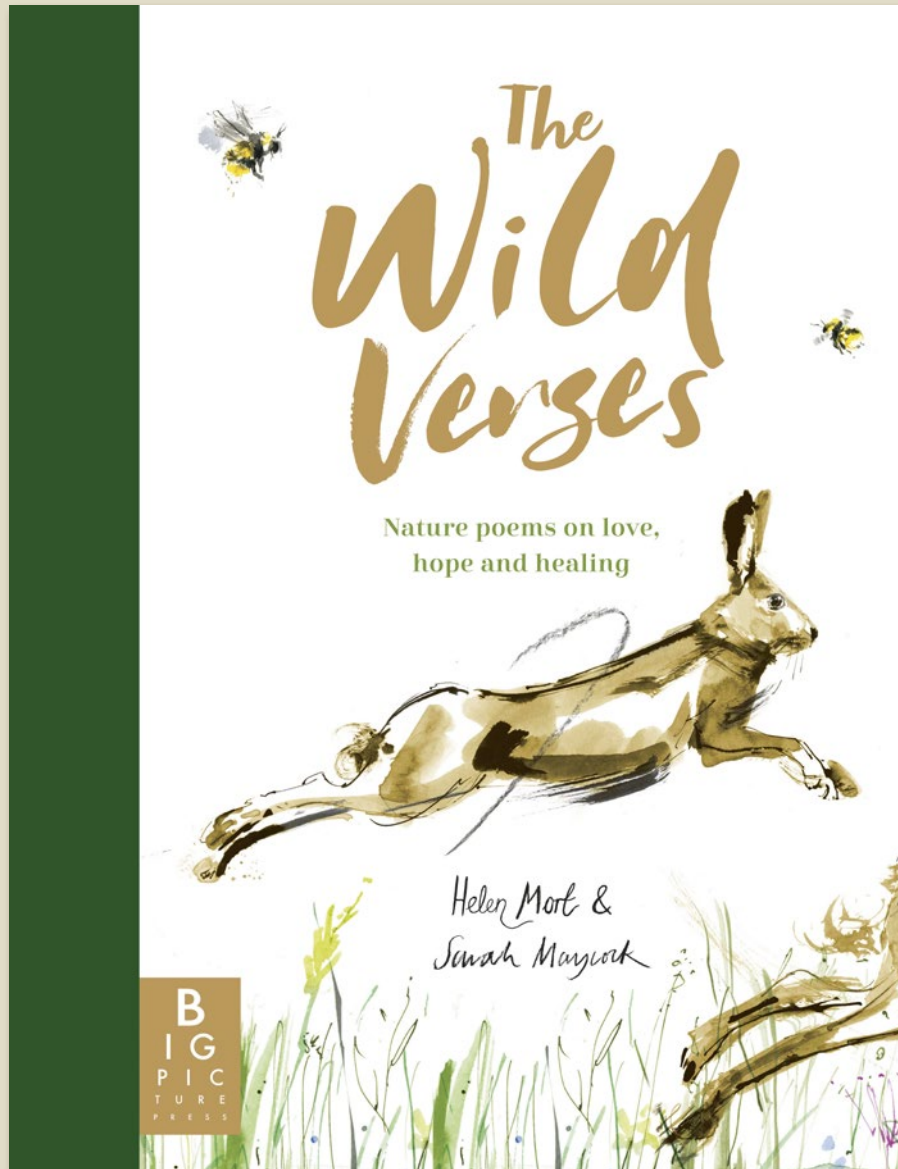
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- Sarah was selected as an It's Nice That Graduate in 2011 and her most recent work includes illustrations for the Natural History Museum's 2018 Whales exhibition.
- *Sometimes I feel* won the 2021 ALCS Educational Writers' Award



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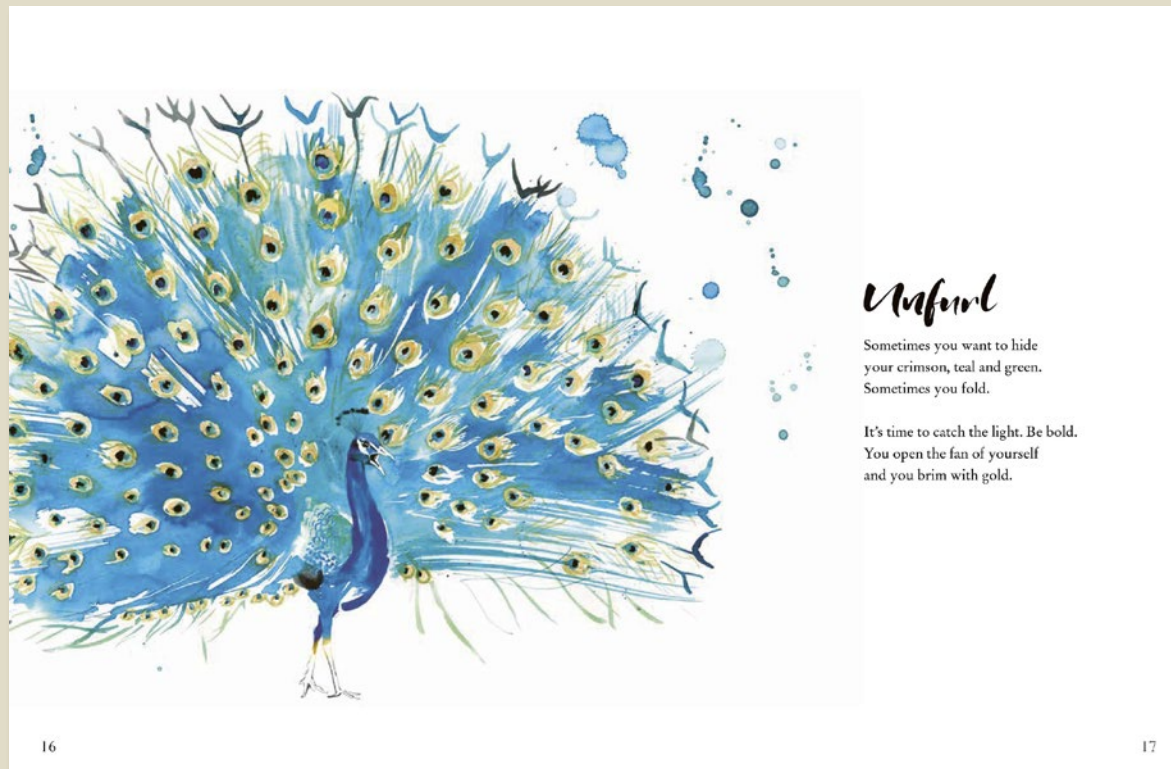
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A striking poetry collection by Helen Mort.

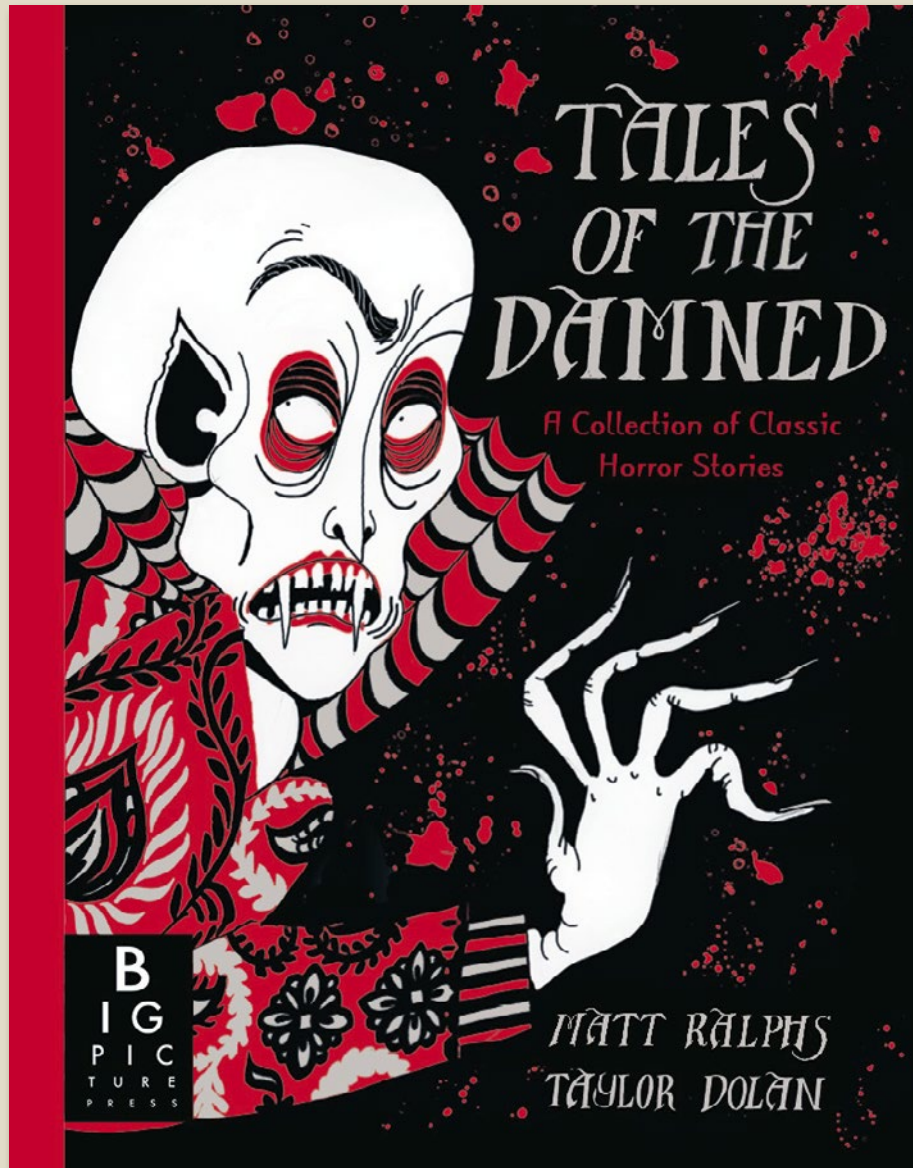
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- With poems by award-winning Helen Mort

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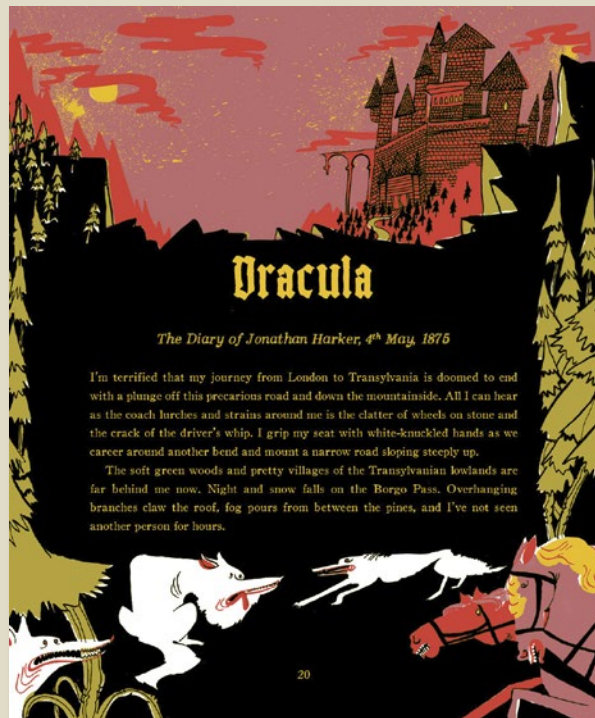
Tales of the Damned



An anthology of terrifying tales from around the world.

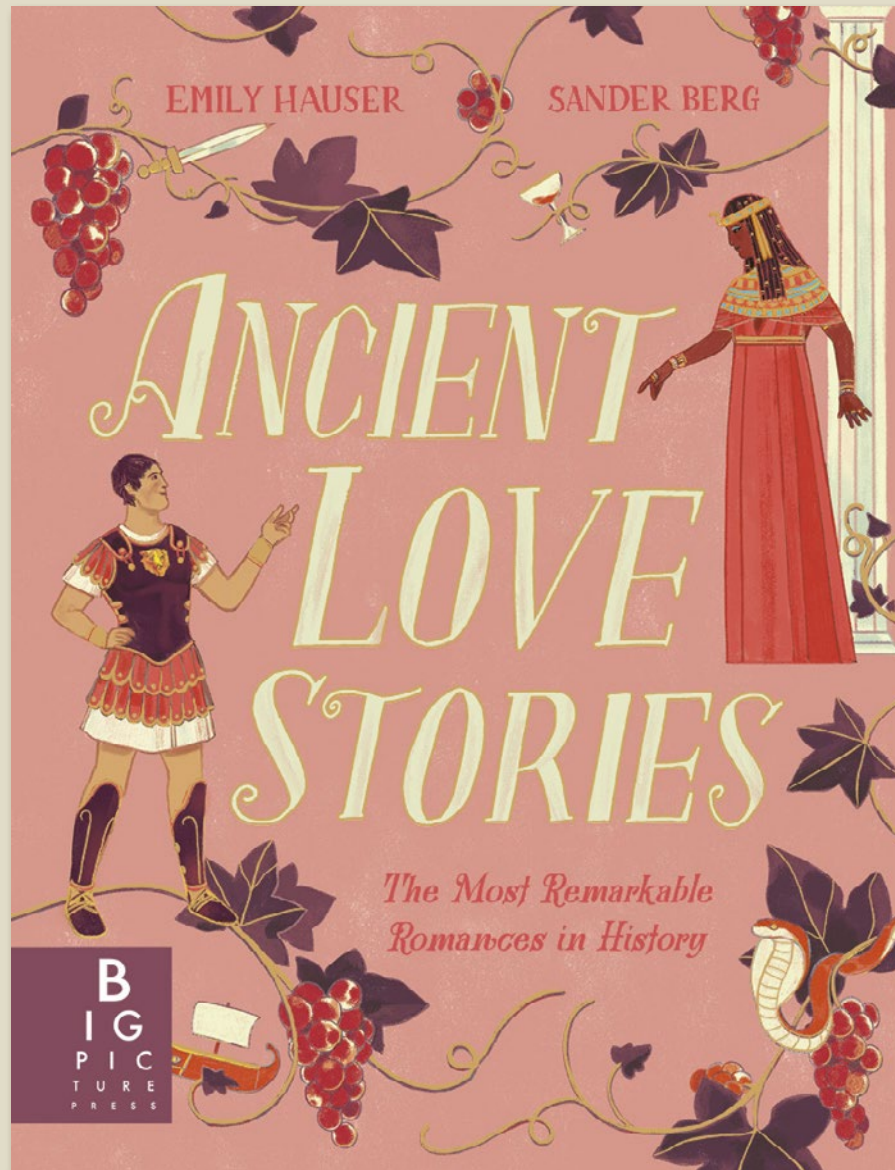
- Stories will be broken up with a series of 'theme' spreads, which will add a non-fiction element to the book. These spreads cover everything from the rise of the horror genre to famous monsters and vampire mass hysteria.
- There's a gap in the market for striking, beautifully illustrated horror anthology.
- Contents: The Mask of Red Death by Edgar Allen Poe; Edgar Allen Poe and the Birth of Horror Literature (NF); Dracula; Vampire Mass Hysteria (NF); The Monkey's Paw; Zombies and the Undead (NF); Red Riding Hood; The Original Dark Fairy Stories (NF); Frankenstein; Mary Shelley and the impact of Frankenstein (NF); Whistle and I'll Come To You; Ghosts and the Victorians (NF); Baba Yaga; Witches (NF); Bluebeard; Blood and Gore (NF)

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Ancient Love Stories



A striking collection of love stories from ancient history.

- Final contents - Sappho (ancient Greek), Nebuchadnezzar II and Amytis (Babylonian), The Sacred Band of Thebes (ancient Greek), Sima Xiangru and Zhuo Wenjun (Chinese), Mark Antony and Cleopatra (ancient Rome), The Lovers of Pompeii (ancient Rome), Hadrian and Antinous (ancient Rome), Eloise and Abelard (French), Frances Howard and Robert Carr (English), Shah Jahan and Mumtaz Mahal (Indian), The Sanchos (USA)
- Written by award-winning classicist and author, Emily Hauser.
- Featuring a range of true stories from around the world, discover the astonishing lengths humankind have gone to in the name of love.
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Ancient Love Stories



THE SACRED BAND OF THEBES

This was the final meeting place of the Sacred Band of Thebes, one of the most remarkable and most loyal armies that had ever lived. A bold experiment in an open town square by attacking war and heroes alike, who had died fighting for the freedom of the Greeks. As warriors, not just of soldiers, but of a hundred and fifty rank boys.

Born together by love loyalty to each other, the crack team of warriors was founded in Thebes in 378 BCE by an extraordinary visionary by the name of Pammenes. It began as a resistance corps against the looming military power of Sparta (recovered the world over for its legendary military prowess across the continent to the south. These were chivalry, Spartan-style, splashing blood across the pages of history, and well suited to the birth of a new kind of army.



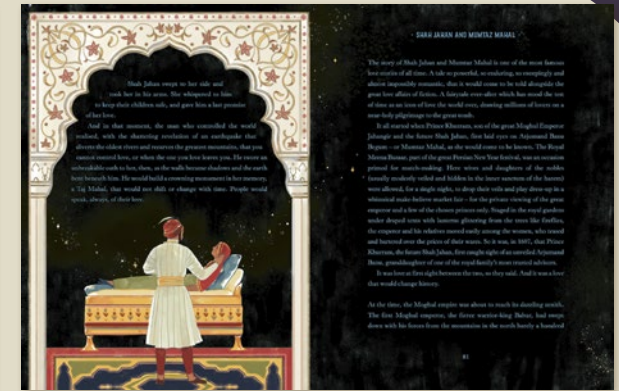
HERODIAS AND ANTIOCHUS

These parts first covered across years earlier, when Herodias - ruler of the Roman world and self-proclaimed priestess - took a summer jaunt across the Roman province of Bithynia, in northern Turkey, where Antiochus had his home. The response, born with the day, probably did not spot Antiochus among the ranks of adoring subjects and eager petitioners. But one of his mistresses did - and, as usual, with an eye to the emperor's taste, spent a night in the night in the beautiful, lock-up-laden young man. Antiochus was duly offered a dinner invitation to the palace imperial suite along with a tuition package to the emperor's personal academy in Rome. To the boy from a distant village on the fringe of the Roman empire, this must have seemed an offer too good to be true - a one-way ticket to live among the stars. But, in any good student of mythology would have known, by invitation to dinner and you might get burned.

Antiochus' rise to the top was meteoric even by Roman standards, where there were plenty of holy emperors who made it to the big time. Set among the other staff of the imperial household, Antiochus - handsome, good-looking, smart, with a magnetic personality and a nose for the emperor's favored boys - quickly caught the emperor's eye. Herodias was instantly besotted, and Antiochus became his paramour. In the summer of 118 CE, at the age of seventeen, Antiochus was personally selected to accompany Hadrian on a tour of Greece (Hadrian was a notorious Greekophile).

from www. Antiochus and Herodias, Egypt.

It was clear to everyone that Herodias was willing to let Antiochus out of his sight - and together, they took part in many extraordinary experiences on their around-the-world trip. A night-long dip into mystical rituals at the Thracian Museum of Greece. A bank hour here in the highlands of Asia Minor. A quest - about the southern end of Hadrian's much-loved Greek mythology books - to ride down a mountain lion that had been terrorizing the people of Licia. On all these adventures, the new obsession with each other grew steadily.

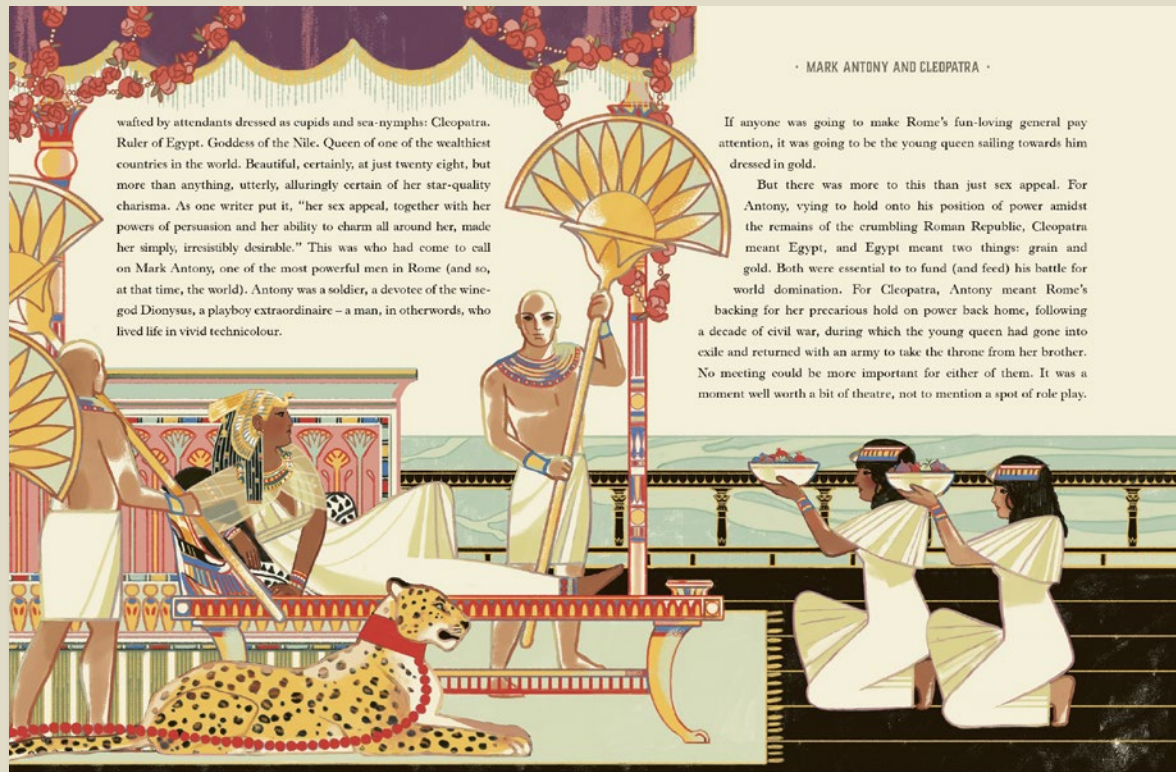


SHAH JAHAN AND MUMTAZ MAHAL

The story of Shah Jahan and Mumtaz Mahal is one of the most beautiful love stories of all time. A tale of passion, devotion, tragedy, and ultimate sacrifice, their love story is a testament to the power of love. Mumtaz Mahal, the great favorite of Shah Jahan, was a woman of extraordinary beauty and intelligence. Her father, the noble and powerful nobleman, had been a member of the royal court for many years. Her father, the noble and powerful nobleman, had been a member of the royal court for many years.

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MARK ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA

wafted by attendants dressed as cupids and sea-nymphs: Cleopatra, Ruler of Egypt. Goddess of the Nile. Queen of one of the wealthiest countries in the world. Beautiful, certainly, at just twenty eight, but more than anything, utterly, alluringly certain of her star-quality charisma. As one writer put it, "her sex appeal, together with her powers of persuasion and her ability to charm all around her, made her simply, irresistibly desirable." This was who had come to call on Mark Antony, one of the most powerful men in Rome (and so, at that time, the world). Antony was a soldier, a devotee of the wine-god Dionysus, a playboy extraordinaire - a man, in other words, who lived life in vivid technicolour.

If anyone was going to make Rome's fun-loving general pay attention, it was going to be the young queen sailing towards him dressed in gold.

But there was more to this than just sex appeal. For Antony, vying to hold onto his position of power amidst the remains of the crumbling Roman Republic, Cleopatra meant Egypt, and Egypt meant two things: grain and gold. Both were essential to fund (and feed) his battle for world domination. For Cleopatra, Antony meant Rome's backing for her precarious hold on power back home, following a decade of civil war, during which the young queen had gone into exile and returned with an army to take the throne from her brother. No meeting could be more important for either of them. It was a moment well worth a bit of theatre, not to mention a spot of role play.

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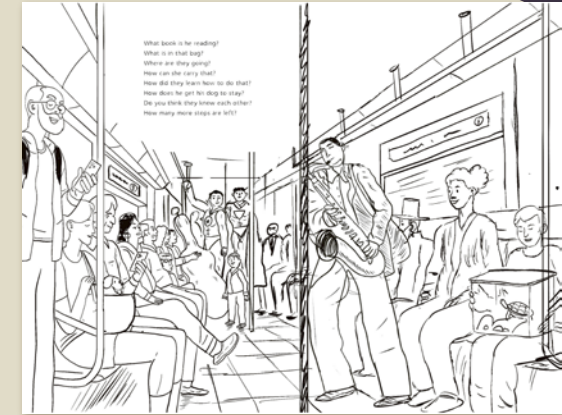
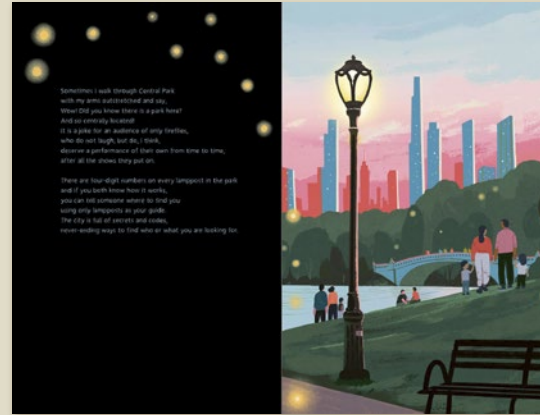
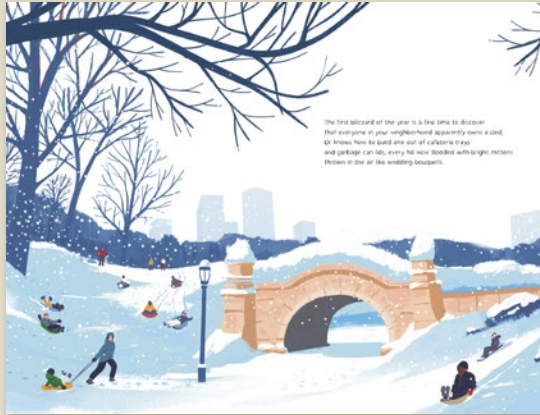
On The Streets of New York



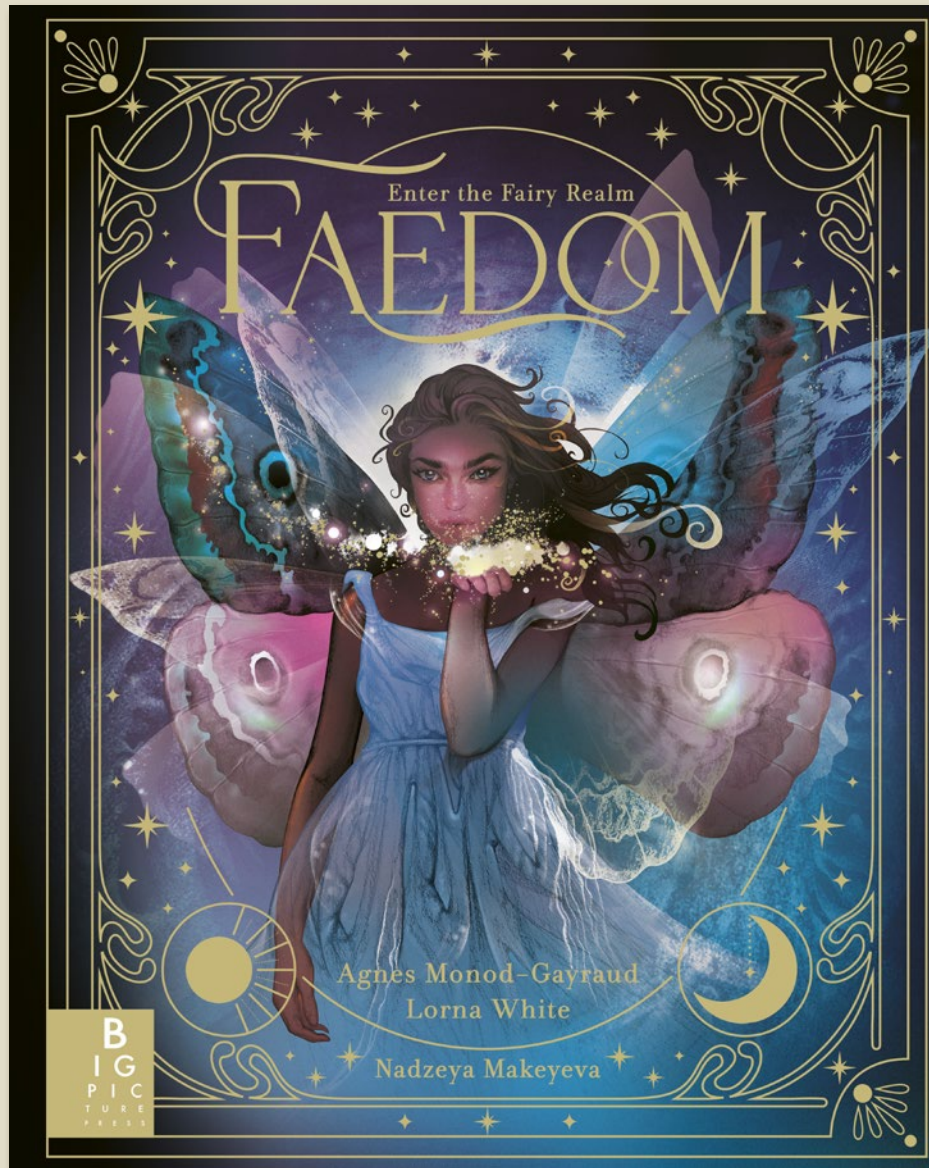
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On The Streets of New York



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A Celebration of Evolution



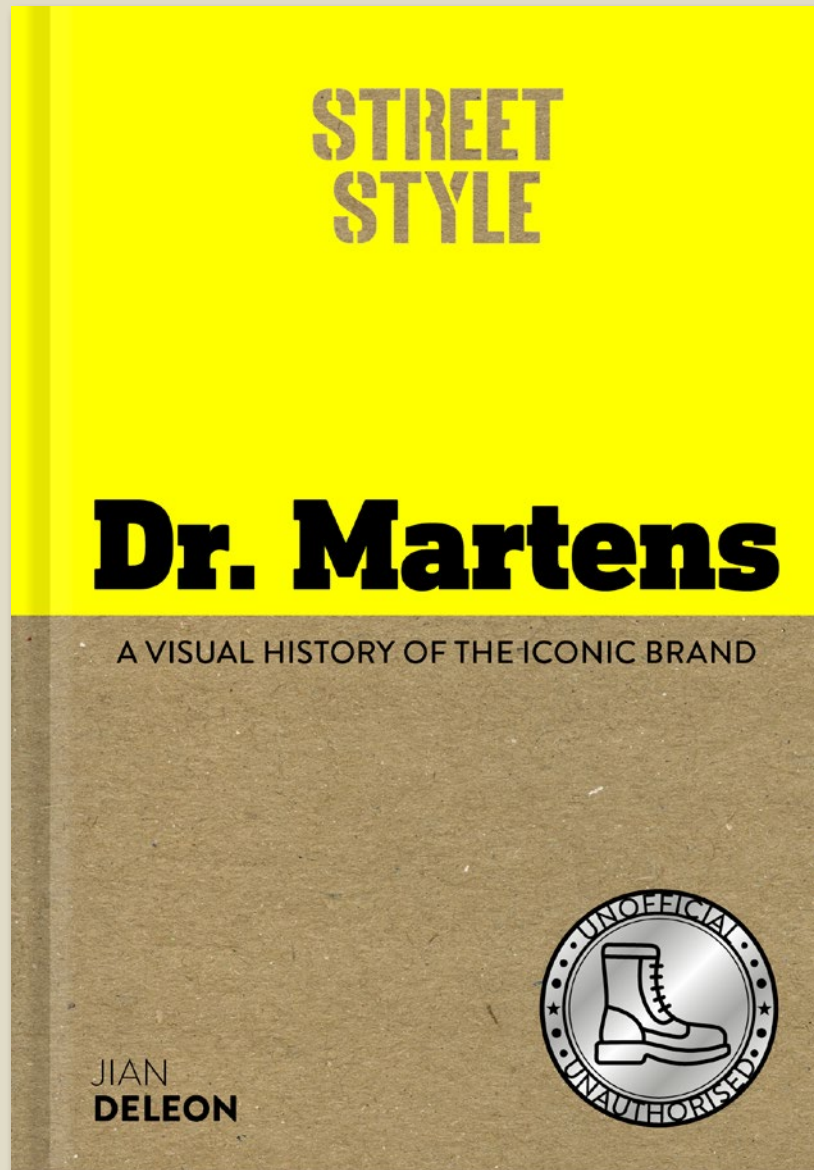
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Street Style: Dr. Martens



Visual history of the iconic street style brand.

- Illustrated with full colour photographs showcasing the brand's history.
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- Written by Jian DeLeon, the editorial director for Highsnobiety. Jian is an expert on the intersection of streetwear, sneakers and luxury fashion. He co-hosts 'The Dropcast', Highsnobiety's weekly news podcast,

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ABOVE: A classic pair of Dr. Martens 1460 boots, broken in with wear.

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Who Was Dr. Martens?

Dr. Martens may not be a real person, but Dr. Klaus Maertens certainly was. The brand as we know it today began with him. A doctor in the German Army, he found himself in post-war Munich at the age of 25, nursing a broken foot. The year was 1945, World War II had just ended, but his injury was one he earned from an unfortunate riding accident.

As he was recovering from his injury, he found that the standard issue, leather-soled Schürzenbock lowboots that had been part of the German Army uniform since 1937 actually hurt his feet more than helped them. Unconquering and footless styles were undergoing a similar shift. It had been a little more than a century since the Industrial Revolution had commercialised the footwear industry, allowing for mass production for a craft that was once exclusively handmade. Concrete sidewalks were being made where it came to what was happening in the world of vacuumed soles.

American chemist Charles Goodyear discovered that heating up rubber and adding sulphur made it even more flexible. The vulcanised process had many industrial applications, but it also made it much easier to make durable, rubber-soled shoes. Yet while canvas plimolls and burgeoning sneaker companies like Converse explicitly were meant for athletic pursuits, Maertens saw an opportunity in making a shoe that had the classic, down-toy appeal of a military boot, combined with the comfort and orthopedic benefits of a rubber sole.

OPPOSITE: Dr. Klaus Maertens, creator of the original Dr. Martens boot.

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The first prototype of what would become the Dr. Martens 1460 leather boot took design elements from the German Schürzenbock and set it on top of a unique, air-cushioned sole originally made from heat-treated, repurposed tyre rubber. He made his proof-of-concept using a salvaged cobbler's last and a needle, but it would still take a couple of years before his brand-new shoe business got any proverbial legs behind it.

OPPOSITE: Standard issue German army field boots from World War II that were uncomfortable to Doctor Dr. Martens.



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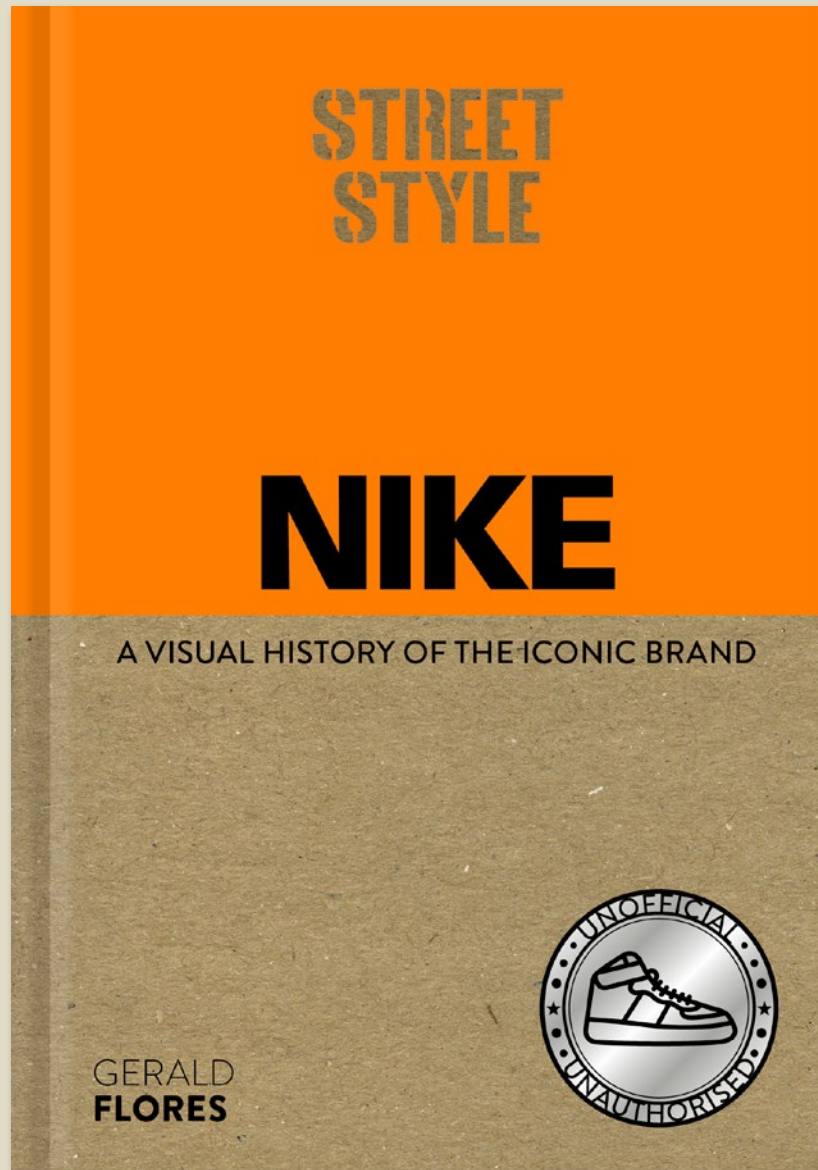
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Street Style: Nike



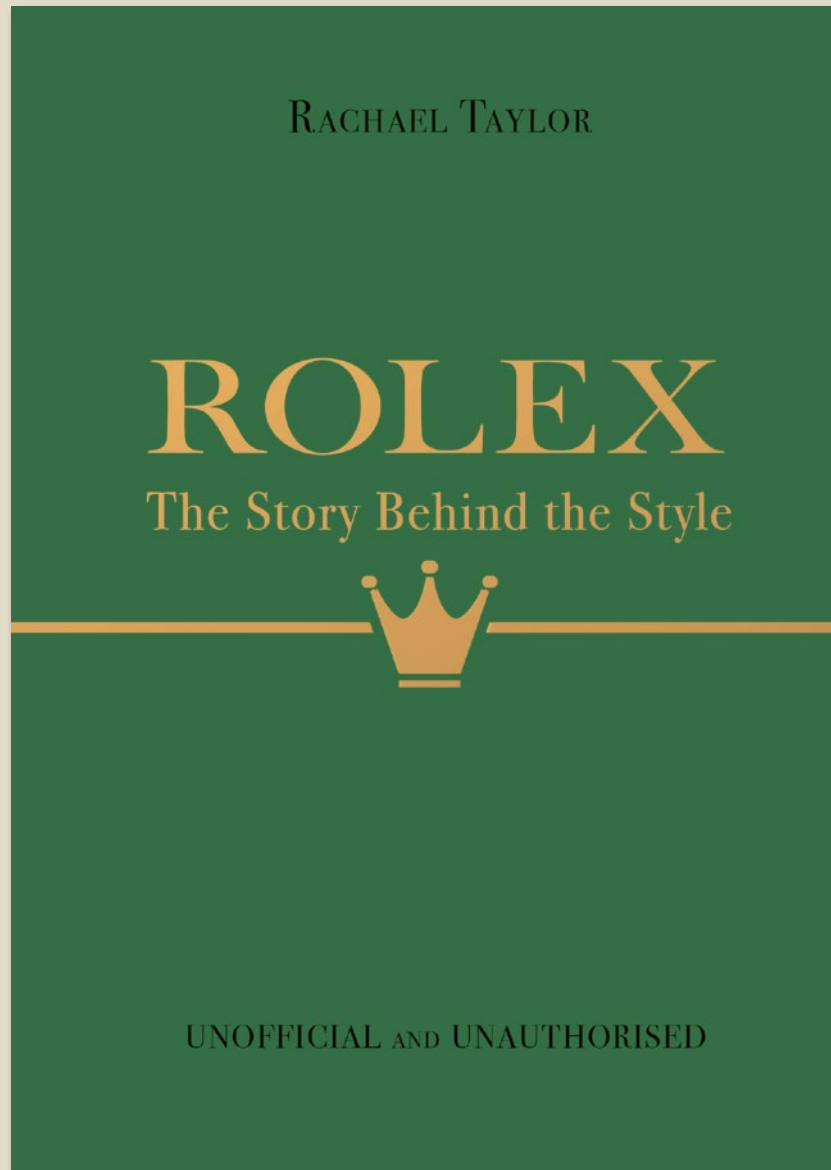
Visual history of the iconic street style brand.

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- Cover finishes: mat lam and foil.
- Written by sneaker connoisseur Gerald Flores. With over a decade of journalistic experience, Gerald is fascinated by the people, designers and stories behind sneakers. He has interviewed personalities including Kobe Bryant, Tinker Hatfield and Virgil Abloh.

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Rolex: The Story Behind the Style



Visual history of the iconic watch brand.

- Written by Rachael Taylor, a journalist specialising in jewellery who has written for *The Financial Times*, Conde Nast publications and *Retail Jeweller*.
- Illustrated with full colour photographs showcasing the brand's history.
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Rolex: The Story Behind the Style



PROVIDER: Hans Wilsdorf, the founder of Rolex.

RIGHT: A watchmaker in Geneva in 1918.



more wearable product would one day make the larger pocket watch obsolete. He set about trying to change the image of wristwatches.

A fundamental step was finding a manufacturer called Angler in the Swiss town of Besen that was making precision movements that could fit inside a wristwatch. Wilsdorf placed a large order, and soon Wilsdorf & Davis became one of the leading British wristwatch firms.

In a bid to establish his business as a brand rather than simply a dealer, Wilsdorf wanted to create a new name for the company: a catchy one that would look good on a dial and be easy to pronounce in many languages. He had experimented with many combinations of letters in search of this made-up name but failed to find anything that worked. Then, while riding through London's Cheapside on the upper

deck of a horse-drawn in 1908, it came to him. Or as he would later put it: "A gentle whisper: 'Rolex' in my ear."

Under this new name, Wilsdorf continued his quest to create reliable wristwatches with quality movements. In 1910, Rolex had a breakthrough when one of its products, powered by an Angler movement, became the first wristwatch in the world to receive the Swiss Certificate of Chronometric Precision – a mark of homological excellence. Four years later, another milestone would be achieved when the Kew Observatory in London awarded a Rolex wristwatch with a Class A precision certificate. This had previously only been given to marine chronometers used for navigation, and it further solidified the reputation of Rolex as a purveyor of precise timekeeping instruments.

In 1916, World War I broke out, and the following year the British government introduced a 33.3% customs duty as part of the war effort. By this time, Rolex's London office, which had a staff of 60 people, was exporting its watches all over the world and the tax change would make that difficult. As such, Wilsdorf made the decision to move the company to Geneva in Switzerland. It already had an office in La Chaux-de-Fonds, which it opened in 1917 for marketing purposes, but this move would remove it from the British watch industry altogether.

And, so, the legacy of Rolex's Swiss-made watches began, with the Swiss company Rolex S.A. registered in Geneva in 1920.

COPYRIGHT: TOP: A watchmaker operating in the Wilsdorf building in Geneva in 1912. RIGHT: First Rolex watch made in the company.

COPYRIGHT: BOTTOM: A pocket watch made in the Wilsdorf building in Geneva in 1910. RIGHT: First Rolex watch made in the company.

The Origins of the Oyster

With Rolex settled into its new home in Switzerland, the company continued to develop its watch offering with a focus on precision and durability, as well as building its brand. Though certainly catchy, the name Rolex had not become an overnight success. Tired of waiting for it to catch on, Hans Wilsdorf launched a major marketing campaign in 1925, pledging to invest at least £12,000 a year – nearly £1 million in today's money. He also increased the number of watches Rolex was producing with its own branding on the dial, as it has been producing both branded and unbranded watches up until that time.

A major leap forward for Rolex's brand was the launch of the Oyster in 1926. This new style of watch promised to be waterproof and dustproof thanks to a hermetically sealed case, proving its durability. It also made it an obvious choice for sporting activities, which would prove to be a rich source of marketing for Rolex in the years ahead.



The Oyster case had a patented system of screwing down the bezel, crown and winding crown against the middle case to seal the movement inside securely. The winding crown, which is made from 10 individual parts, was key to its action as it goes between the bezel and the middle case and its functional external elements.

The Oyster case would become the backbone of Rolex. Nearly every watch in its contemporary range features an Oyster case, and the names of all the models reference it. A Submariner is technically named an Oyster Perpetual Submariner and a GMT-Master II is an Oyster Perpetual GMT-Master II, and so on. The only exception is the 1908 dress watch, which does not have an oyster case.

Rolex's iconic fluted bezel is a showstopper in the early Oyster cases. Although these fluted bezels are decorative now, the ridges originally served a purpose to allow a special tool to screw the bezel securely to the mid case.

COPYRIGHT: A 1959 Rolex Oyster Perpetual on a brown alligator strap.

ABOVE: A close-up of a Rolex Oyster Perpetual case and bezel base.



The World's Most Famous Watch Brand

Rolex has become shorthand for luxury. There is no watch you can strap on to your wrist that will be recognised for the status symbol it is quicker than a Rolex. And for many, this is the appeal.

Yet there was a time when the name Rolex – a word completely made up by the brand's founder Hans Wilsdorf – was not famous. It would take hard work, boundary pushing and a lot of self-belief on the part of Wilsdorf, a German orphan, to jettison the name into the upper echelons of horology; starting with convincing the pocket watch-wearing gentleman of the early 20th century that they wanted to wear the time on their wrist at all.

As you will discover, Rolex won its place in history by constantly questioning what was possible and innovating at all costs. It pioneered so many elements of watchmaking and design that are standard today, such as waterproof watches, placing a date window on the dial, and even removing the need to wind our watches.

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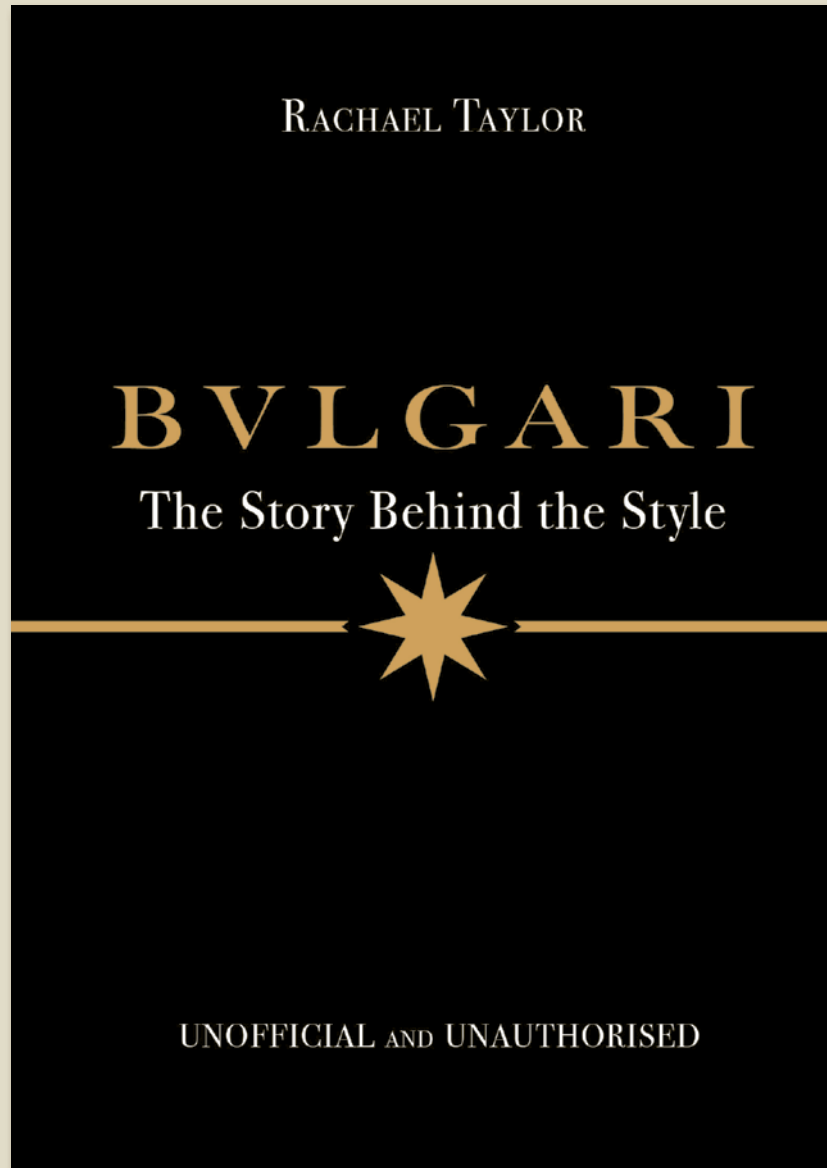
The story of Rolex is so much more than that of its watches. It is one of epic ambition and vision. What started out as a one-man band in London's Hatton Garden would become the epicentre of the Swiss watchmaking industry, and one of the most recognisable and coveted brands in the world.



ABOVE: A Rolex boutique in the GUM State Department Store on Red Square in Moscow.

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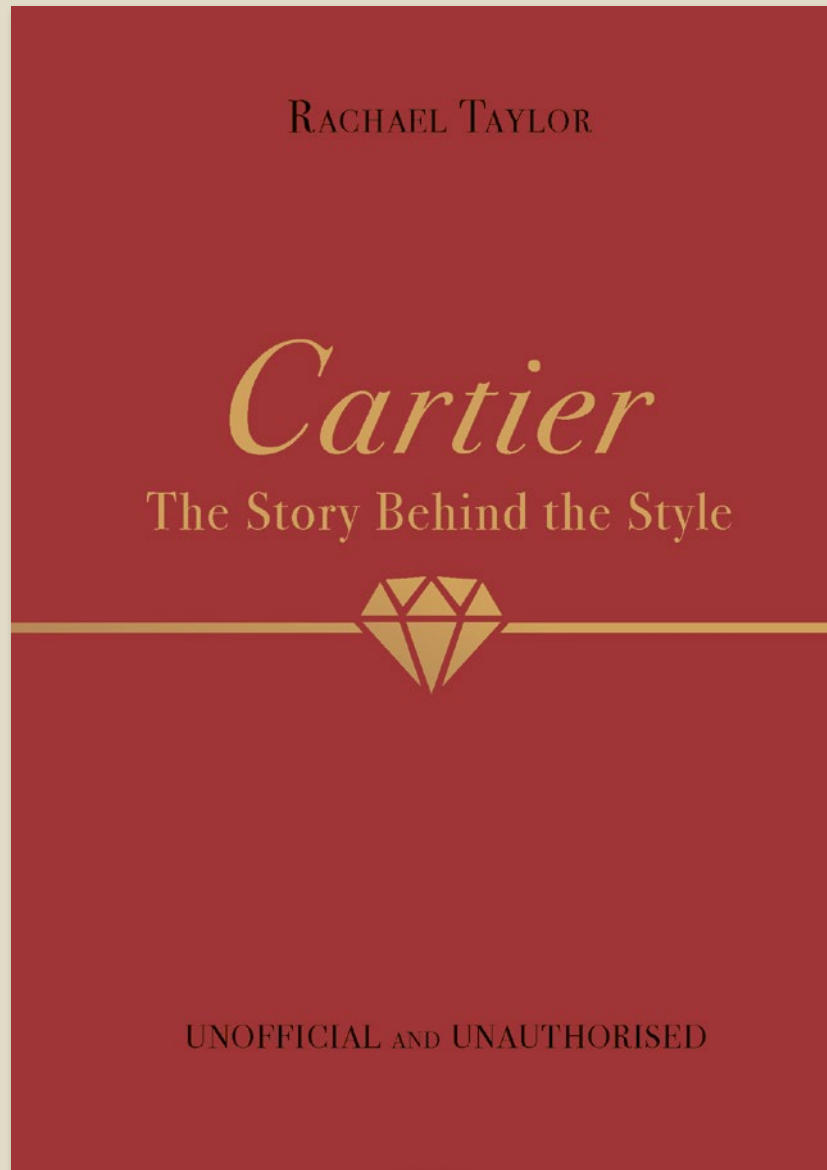
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The Beginnings of Cartier

The house of Cartier started with one man, Louis-François Cartier, but it would take a family to make it one of the most recognised and respected jewellers in history.

It was, in fact, Louis-François' father, Pierre Cartier, who set the dynasty in motion, although he could never have imagined the consequences of his actions at the time. Pierre had fought in the Napoleonic wars and spent time locked in the prison ships docked off the harbour at Portsmouth in Britain. When the war ended in 1815, Pierre returned to Paris, destitute and aimless. He would go on to find employment as a watchmaker and have five children with his wife Elisabeth, a watchwoman.

The eldest of the children born into this working-class Parisian family was Louis-François, and when he was barely out of school, his father sent him to work as an apprentice in a jewellery workshop owned by Adolphe Picard on Rue Montorgueil in Paris. It was a tough education – days were long and grueling and order was maintained with a whip – but he stayed and in 1847, at the age of 27, Louis-François bought the business from Picard, renaming it Cartier.

OPPOSITE: Cartier founder, Louis-François Cartier



His makers mark – a symbol hallmark that every piece of Cartier jewellery no matter how small – was his initials, L. C., separated with an arc of leaves playing cool, perhaps as a nod to the financial gamble he was taking. Luckily, the risk paid off and the Cartier business thrived and expanded. In 1866, Princess Mathilde, a cousin of Emperor Napoleon III, purchased one of his jewels, and the Cartier name was suddenly whispered among Parisian high-society, even reaching the international elite. Three years later, Louis-François bought Gillon, a Parisian jeweller better known than his own, and renamed his business Cartier Gillon.

Louis-François' son Alfred Cartier took over the family business in 1874, but it was the arrival of his own three sons – the highly ambitious Louis, Pierre and Jacques – that would really shake up the jeweller and initiate its ascendance to the global brand we know today. The brotherly revolution started with Louis, who joined the nation in 1898. A year later he spearheaded the remaining

INVIOUS: Start getting involved in Cartier business in Paris in 1898.

OPPOSITE LEFT: An illustration of Louis-François Cartier c.1848.

OPPOSITE RIGHT: Pierre Cartier playing golf in 1898.

of the business, stripping over Gillon to once again be known simply as Cartier. At the same time, the business opened a boutique at 13 rue de la Paix, just a stone's throw from Place Vendôme, the heartland of luxury jewellery in Paris. This venture was funded by an enormous dowry levied through a strategic arranged marriage to Andriette-Caroline Worth, granddaughter of world-famous couturier Charles Frederick Worth.

Cartier garnered a reputation for innovation, and the title of jewellers would later live by a motto, 'Never copy, only create'. One of Louis' most successful experiments in the close of the 19th century was to use platinum in place of gold. This precious metal is now widely used by jewellers across the world, but at the time it was purely an industrial metal and thus revolutionary in the jewellery market. The white metal, which, unlike silver, does not tarnish, is highly malleable and allowed Cartier to create delicate, diamond-set jewels inspired by those created by 18th-century French aristocrats, a stark contrast to the heavier, colourful, Romantic Art Nouveau jewels popular at the time. A signature Cartier Gulland style emerged, swirling across platinum stems, necklaces and earrings, that won over well-heeled women, including royals, in Europe and the United States.

Pierre Cartier, the second eldest of the brothers, would be an agitator in his own right, championing the global expansion of the brand's retail empire. He started by opening a Cartier boutique on New Burlington Street in London in 1902, where the brand showcased a new style of geometric, abstract jewels with unusual colour combinations that would lay the foundations for the Art Deco jewellery movement.

The first decade of the 20th century was an important time for Cartier. In 1904, the jeweller received its first royal certificate from King Edward VII of Britain, and soon started to supply many other royal courts including those of Russia, Spain and Siam (now Thailand). In the same year, Louis Cartier created what he believed to be the first ever men's wristwatch for aviator Alberto Santos-Dumont.

Pierre, meanwhile, embarked on a journey to Russia; one that would prove profitable in commissions from its high society, but also as a source of inspiration that would shape Cartier's jewellery designs for years to come.

In 1909, Pierre would focus his wanderlust on America, opening a Cartier boutique on New York's Fifth Avenue; the precursor to its famous flagship store further up the street, the purchase of which he would famously broker a decade later in exchange for a string of pearls. Back in London, his younger brother Jacques stepped in to take over its British branch. That same year, Cartier moved uptown to a prestigious Bond Street address, where it remains to this day.

As Cartier's man in Britain, and, as such, jeweller to King George V, Jacques joined members of the aristocracy on a trip to India for the Delhi Durbar in 1911. It was an event

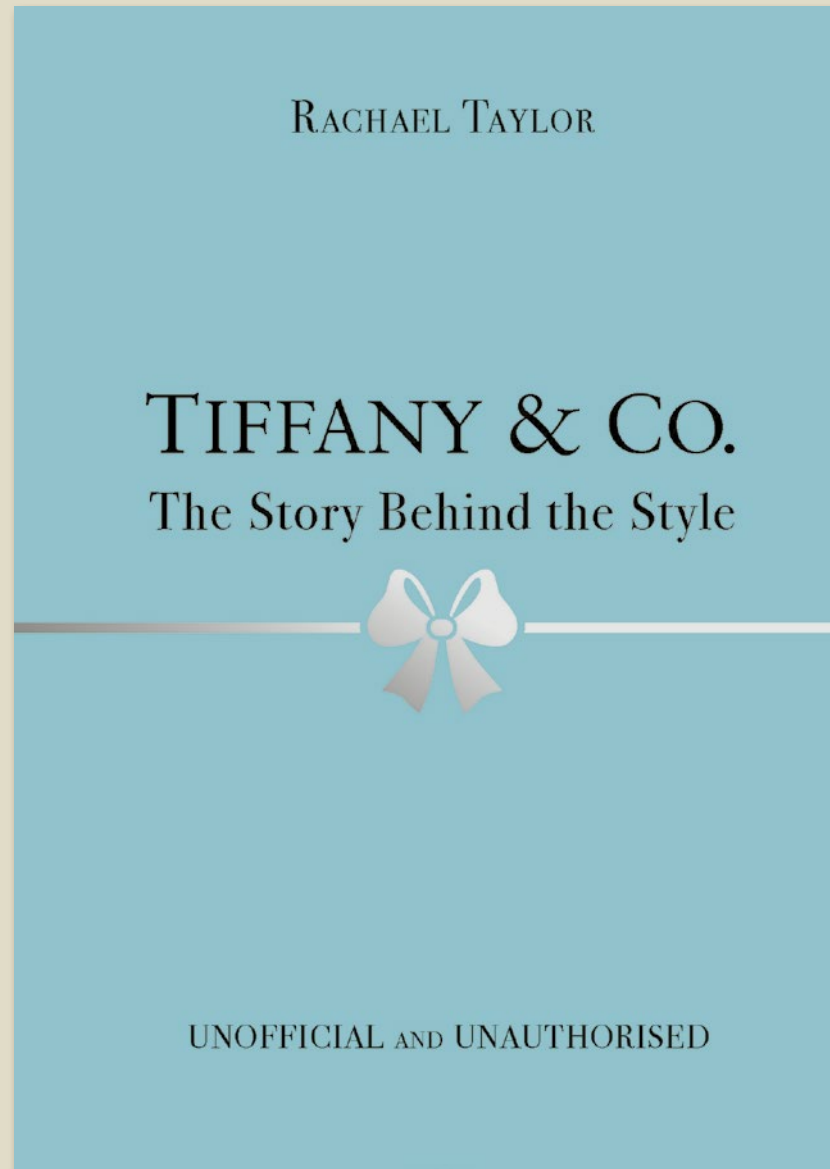


to commemorate the coronation of the King, with two weeks of festivities, during which King George V and Queen Mary would be proclaimed Emperor and Empress of India. This adventure to a new land would also prove to be a seminal trip for the house of Cartier. Jacques' sociable nature and love of travel would win ground-breaking commissions from India's rich, jewel-loving maharajas and inspire a whole new category of jewellery, pioneered by Cartier and much copied by other companies.

LEFT: Cartier platinum pendant watch set with diamonds, rubies and a pearl, c.1890-1910.

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The King of Diamonds: Charles Lewis Tiffany

Charles Lewis Tiffany, the man who would go on to win the moniker of New York's 'King of Diamonds', did not hail from a long line of jewellers. His start in life was more modest, making his name in high society all the more glittering.

Tiffany was born in 1812 in Canton and Ohio. Tiffany and grew up in the small town of Killbuck, Connecticut. The major business of the town was the production of cotton goods, and the family owned a manufacturing company. Tiffany was educated at local schools in the area before joining his father in the family cotton business.

By 1837, Tiffany felt restless. No longer satisfied by working at home with his family, he began to envision how he could make his own mark in business. He teamed up with a school friend, J. R. Young, and the duo set in motion a plan to open a stationary store in New York City. With a \$1,000 loan from Charles' father, the ambitious 25-year-old made the 150-mile journey north. The store, named Tiffany & Young, opened its doors at 259 Broadway that same year, and on its first day, \$4,981 rang through the till.

Tiffany & Young soon began to expand its remit, stocking glassware, silver, porcelain, clocks and jewelry, and began to develop a

OPPOSITE: Tiffany & Co. founder Charles Lewis Tiffany photographed by James Thomson Beach in 1902.



reputation as a purveyor of fine goods of taste. In 1841, the business expanded with the addition of a third partner, J. L. Ellis, and was renamed Tiffany, Young & Ellis. The trio expanded the store, doubling its size by moving the adjacent site, and continued to increase the quality of the goods they sold, with Young making buying trips to Europe to pick out English and Italian jewellery.

It was, in fact, political events in Europe that would be the making of this American luxury success story. In 1848, the status quo crumbled as republican revolutionaries sought to topple European monarchies and strip aristocrats of their power and wealth. It was a societal upheaval known as the Springtime of Nations. More than 50 countries were inspired by this, but none more so than France, where the monarchy was overthrown and replaced with a republic. Such widespread panic and disruption had an impact on the price of diamonds, and Tiffany, Young & Ellis reaped, by now, the full

OPPOSITE: An illustration of a window display at the Tiffany & Co. in New York.

OPPOSITE: A sketch of the Tiffany & Co. store at the Excelsior Hotel in Paris in 1905.

In 1853, Young and Ellis decided to retire from the business, but Charles Lewis Tiffany was far from finished. He found new partners to work with, and the business was, at this point, renamed Tiffany & Company. Tiffany would go on to build his empire, grabbing headlines along the way. By the 1860s, the business was well established as an exponent of choice for the rich and the famous, both for its jewellery and its top-quality silver. In 1862, President Abraham Lincoln purchased a set of pearl necklaces and earrings from Tiffany & Co. for his wife Mary Todd Lincoln, who wore them to her husband's inauguration ball.

In 1870, Tiffany & Co. moved into a large new store in New York's Union Square, marking the beginning of a major decade for the jeweller one in which Charles Lewis Tiffany would earn the title the King of Diamonds. It was a single purchase that would truly justify Tiffany into the high-jewellery atmosphere – a 237.42ct rough fancy yellow diamond. When cut and polished, what emerged was a diamond of staggeringly enormous proportions for a rare yellow diamond of that quality: it weighed 128.58ct and was named the Tiffany Diamond.

If the purchase of this new world famous stone, which is on permanent display at Tiffany & Co.'s Fifth Avenue store in New York, signalled Tiffany's intention to dominate the diamond market, his groundbreaking creation eight years later sealed the deal. Seeking to

celebrate the beauty of diamonds, Tiffany designed an engagement ring in 1886 that remains a sought-after classic to this day. The Tiffany Setting engagement ring kicked back against the over-fussy designs of the time with a clean, minimalist band and a six-prong setting that lifted the diamond above the ring. The purpose for this innovative setting was to allow light to flow through the stone, and therefore maximise the sparkle. It was a huge hit, and the iconic design has become synonymous with engagement rings.

Just 15 years before his death, Tiffany pulled off a final coup. The aftermath of the French Revolution that had gifted Tiffany an abundance of important gems in 1848 and its early credibility in high-jewellery circles rumbled on. In 1887, the French government was masterminding a plan to sell the crown jewels of its fallen monarchy. Outwardly, it claimed that a democracy such as France had no need for "objects of luxury, devoid of usefulness and moral worth". The rumour mill suggested that it was in fact afraid of a power grab by Bourbons, Orleanists or Bonapartists, who might use ownership of the jewels to claim a right to rule. Tiffany cared little for this political posturing, but he did see an opportunity in it. He travelled to Paris to attend the auction of the French crown jewels at the Louvre. He sat in the audience, ready to make his bids, along with fellow jewellers, including a young Frédéric Boucheron, and Orleanists, members of the French royal family, whose pockets proved too shallow on the day to win back their family heirlooms.

When the final strike of the gavel fell, Charles Lewis Tiffany had in his possession close to a third of the historic crown jewels. He placed them in specially crafted red-leather boxes, embossed in gold with the words *Diamants de la Couronne*, translating from French as Crown Diamonds. Inside, impressed on the silk lining in the lid, was Tiffany & Co. New York and Paris, thus securing Tiffany & Co.'s place in the history books as a purveyor of royal jewels and his own coronation as the King of Diamonds.



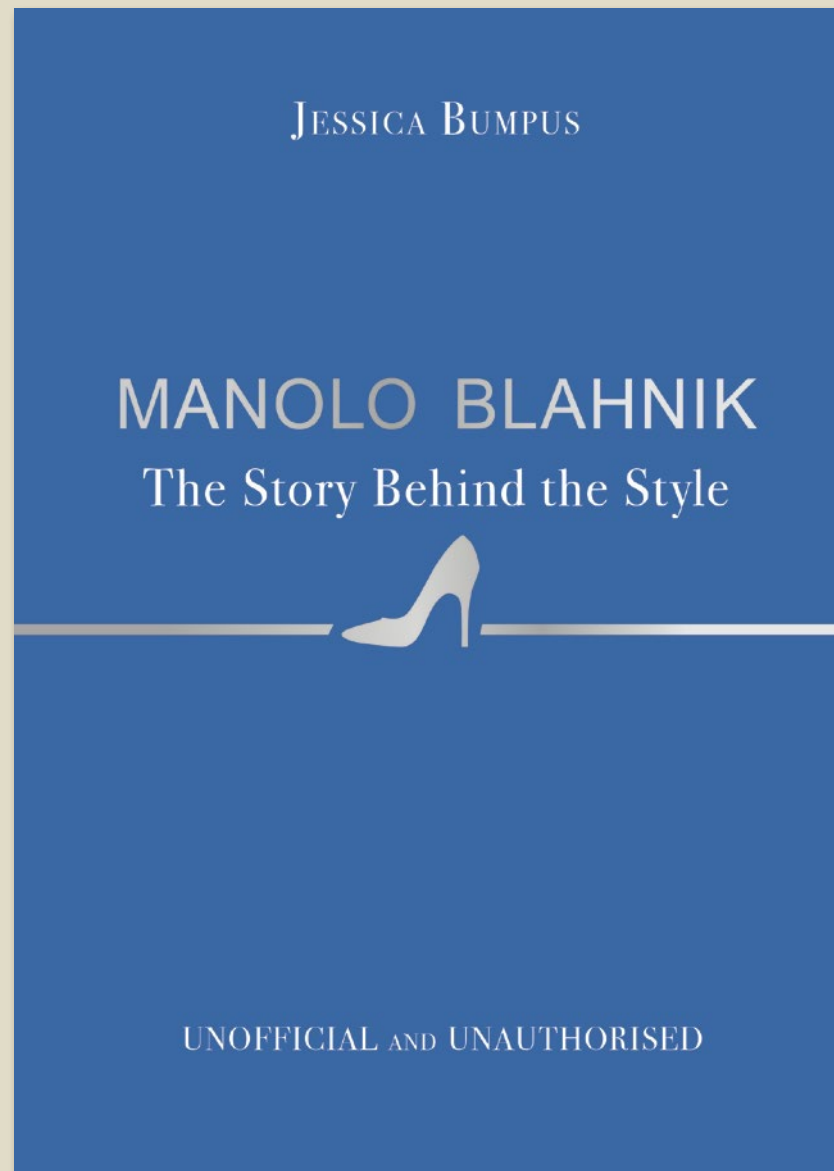
LEFT: The Tiffany & Co. flagship store in New York.

BELOW: A gold, diamond and enamel floral brooch, made by Tiffany & Co. in 1890.



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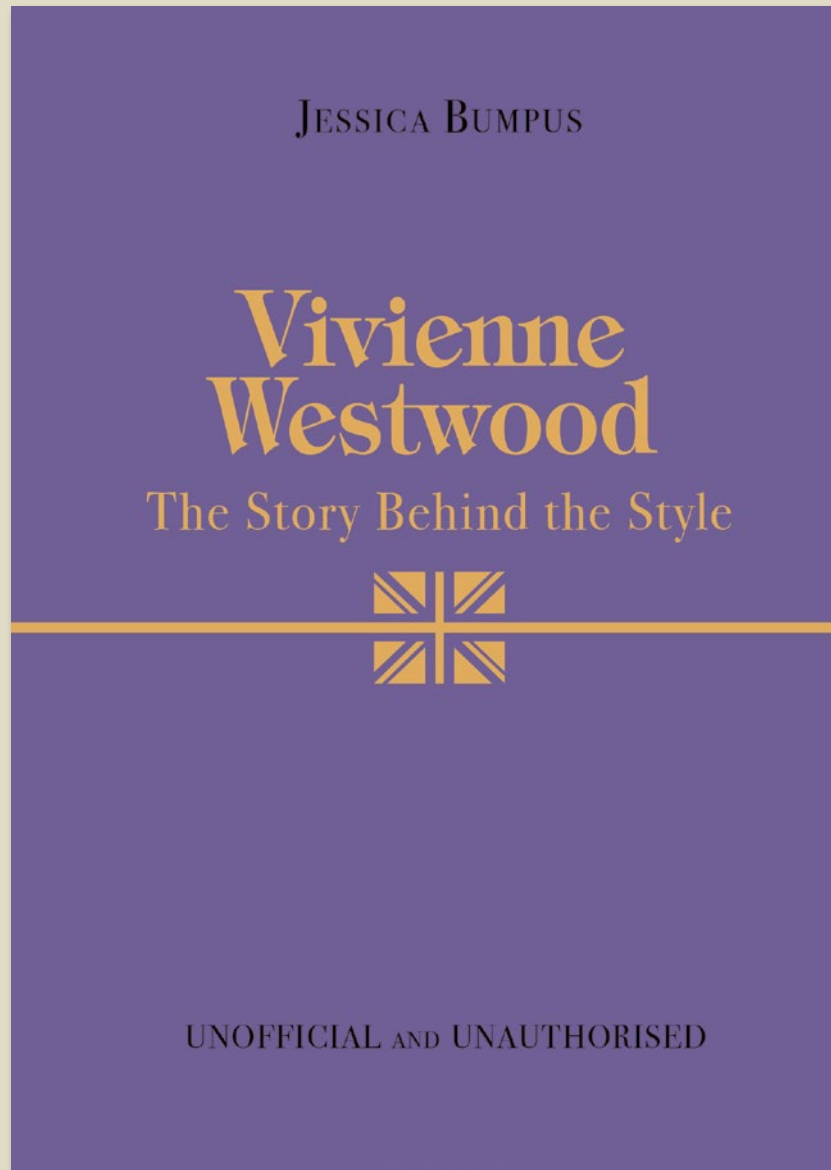
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Derbyshire Days

Vivienne Isabel Swire was born on April 8 1941 to Gordon and Dora Swire at the Paragon Maternity Home, Glossop. The future fashion revolutionist had one sister, Olga Swire, born 1945, and one brother, Gordon Swire, born 1946. She grew up in the parish of Tintwistle, Derbyshire (which was formerly part of Cheshire until 1974), both during and after World War II, enjoying what has been recounted as a fairly idyllic childhood, living at the more-constructed Millbrook Cottage and playing outside until late.

The young Swire clan were encouraged to be creative and make things more than they were encouraged to read. Vivienne knew from a young age that she was good at making things, notably models at school, and she especially enjoyed sewing classes. Her mother would often make their clothes, and worked at a weaver in a local cotton factory.

The young Vivienne – who remembers having a passion for art from an early age – attended Hollingworth and Tintwistle Primary Schools from 1946 to 1952, at which point she passed the scholarship exam for Glossop Grammar School. She continued to be good at art during her time at Glossop Grammar, and considered attending art school.

Among Westwood's most formative fashion memories are the make-do-and-mend philosophy that came to define

Britain in austerity, as well as the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II in 1953, when Vivienne was 12 years old. The influence of these two events can be seen throughout every era of her designs, and the make-do-and-mend philosophy is evident in the motto "Buy Less, Choose Well, Make it Last", which the brand still promotes to this day. She expertly blended the elements of customisation, tradition and antiretrograde together to create her own unique brand, which is now contrasted by her husband Andrew: *Konshalee*.



LEFT: Vivienne Westwood wearing a t-shirt sporting the brand slogan 'Buy Less'.

Malcolm McLaren

Westwood met Malcolm McLaren in 1965. An art student and a friend of her younger brother, Gordon, he would go on to become her creative collaborator for almost the next 20 years. Malcolm is an entrepreneur with the punk movement as Vivienne, and their partnership is legendary. He was something of a maverick of marketing strategy and distinction, before such things became commonplace in contemporary fashion. The pair were in a relationship for a time but never seem to have married.

Malcolm was interested in politics and was fascinated by the French Situationists, a creative enclave of writers and artists who wished to eradicate capitalism through acts of everyday life. He was a driving force in bringing politics, provocations, society and culture into Westwood's world. She found him to be charismatic and knowledgeable, but also full of contradictions.

In 1967, they had a son, Joseph Ferdinand Cecil, who would go on to follow in his parents' footsteps and enter the world of fashion. He founded the very successful lingerie company, *Agent Provocateur*.

It was in the early 1970s that McLaren and Westwood began to build their empire. Malcolm, in this period, had left art school and Vivienne was about to quit teaching. The plan had been to sell vintage records together, and there was talk of setting up a stall. But a retail opportunity – via a new

friend – on King's Road was about to arrive.

Tommy Roberts, of the legendary Mr Freedom fashion business, took over the lease of 438 King's Road in 1969. He and his business partner, the fashion entrepreneur Trevor Miller, were well-known for their eclectic and discerning fashion eye which appealed to the glitterati of the 1960s. It was under Miller's control the shop was renamed *Parisian Garage*; the spot was already well-known for fashion.

Vivienne and Malcolm, who were regular on King's Road, ended up leasing the back of 438 King's Road, before taking the whole thing over and rebranding it. It would be known over the coming years as *Let It Beak*, *The Fun To Live*, *The Young To Die* and *Sex and Sublimation*, all of which would encompass the raucous, confrontational and non-conformist nature of McLaren and Westwood. Eventually the shop would come to define the varied-but-defined styles we know as punk today.



LEFT: Malcolm McLaren, partner of Vivienne Westwood, and Vivienne Westwood, 1977.



A Revolutionary is Born

There are few British designers, or brands, that have made quite as much of an impact on the fashion landscape as Vivienne Westwood. A fashion designer of both cult and commercial success (which is a rare combination), she was a punk and a pioneer, a rebel and a provocateur, an activist and a change-maker.

Over the course of a career that spanned half a century, Dame Vivienne Westwood would become synonymous with the British punk scene. Punk is what immediately springs to mind for most when her name is mentioned, along with the King's Road, corsets, platforms, tarran, crinolines, pirate boots, sustainability and climate change awareness. The list goes on. Her shows and interviews have become legendary – she is famous for using fashion as a platform to speak out on the issues she cared most about.

There is no doubt that Westwood's affinity for fashion history has helped her designs stand out. They are often historically informed, yet never to the point that they look odd. Where something shouldn't work, it always did, thanks to Vivienne's ability to balance the old with the modern – she was a genius when it came to style mashups. And the original Vivienne Westwood aesthetic rooted in a DIY approach never fully went away. Her designs feel intrinsically British and perfectly eccentric.

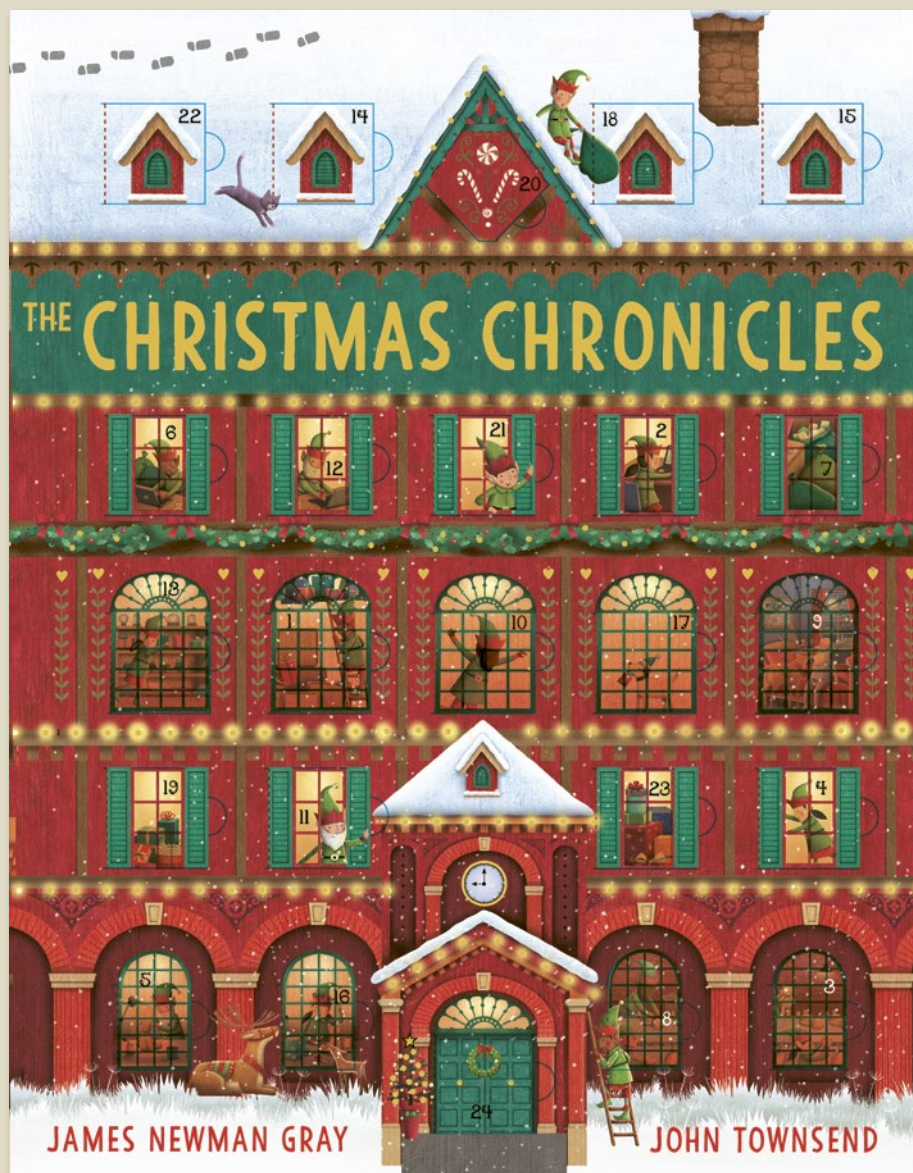
Westwood was the original multi-hyphenate and, in many ways, light years ahead of her time. She has inspired generations of designers that came after her, whether established and successful or aspiring and eager. Fashion critics even noted whiffs of her spirit at the London Fashion Week collections of autumn/winter 2023, which took place in February 2023, after her death. It's no wonder that her name is up there with the likes of Yves Saint Laurent, Christian Lacroix and the late great Karl Lagerfeld.



ABOVE: Vivienne Westwood takes her bow at the spring/summer 2018 London Fashion Week Men's collections, June 2017.

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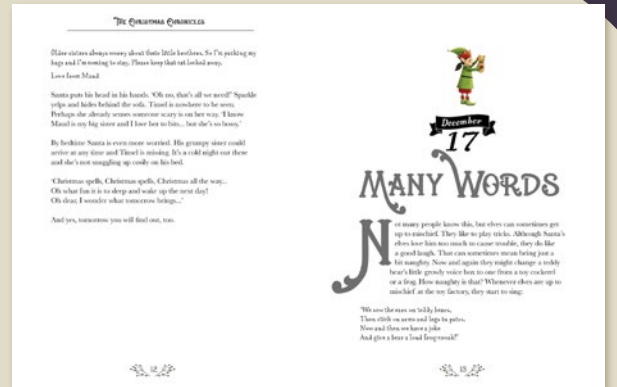
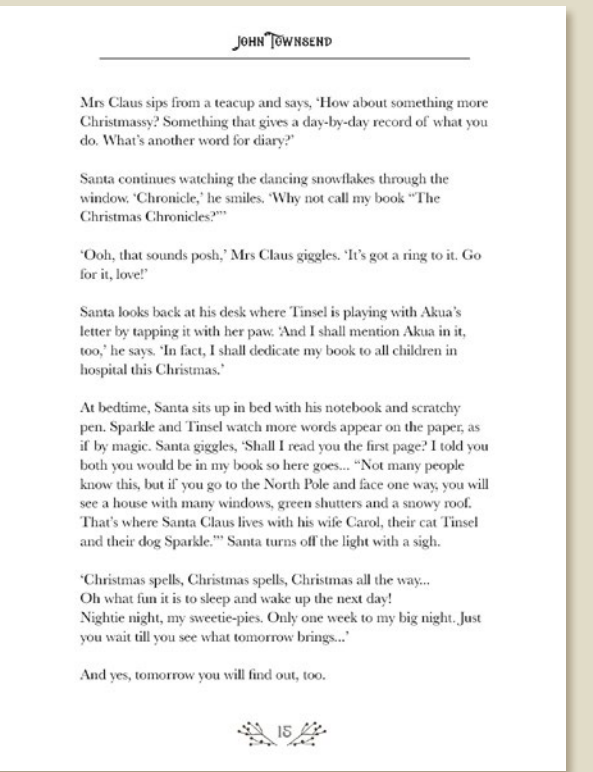
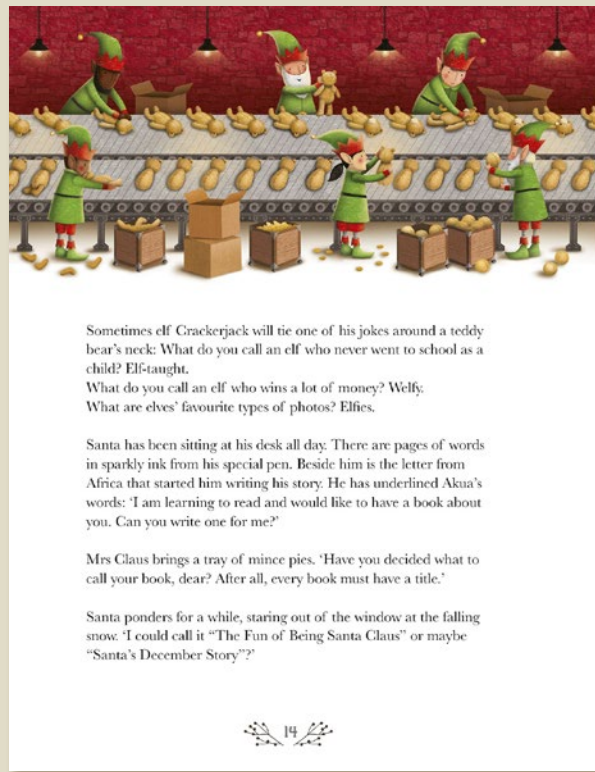
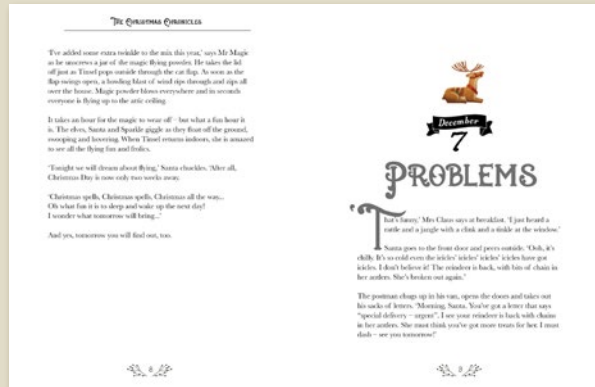
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