

Loose and Lively Flowers in Watercolour, Inks & Mixed Media

Jo Allsopp

Learn to paint vibrant, expressive watercolour flowers in this inspiring guide that is designed to encourage those new to painting or looking to loosen up their style. • 10 tips for painting in a loose and lively way • How to paint any flowers you want: from life, arranged as a still life, or from photographs • 3 complete step-by-step projects painted in pure watercolour: striking tulips, cheerful daffodils and dreamy bluebells • 24 short, practical exercises to move beyond watercolour with mixed media.



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1500 Color Mixing Recipes for Oil, Acrylic & Watercolor

Achieve precise color when painting landscapes, portraits, still lifes, and more William Powell

This book is a comprehensive colour-mixing resource for oil, acrylic, and watercolour artists. This incredible collection comes in a user-friendly concealed spiral-bound format that is tabbed for quick and easy reference. Aspiring artists will also find two removable colour mixing grids – one for oil or acrylic, and one for watercolour.



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Modern Botanical Watercolour Painting

Fun, Easy and Expressive Techniques Jenny Kiker

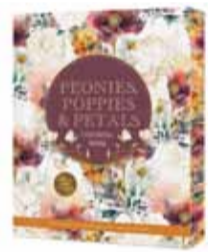
Learn to create frame-worthy botanical artworks in a fresh, contemporary style with watercolour artist and teacher Jenny K. Jenny shares her confidence-building methods for painting beautiful leaves, flowers, cacti and tropical plants. Why you'll love it: • Uses a step-by-step approach using modern watercolour and ink • Full of contemporary floral art projects - from flowers to ferns, tropical and desert plants • Designed to make botanical art accessible to all • Introduces a range of techniques (from pigment and water control to finding your creative flow) • Create wall-ready, giftable art that's relaxing, mindful and fun to paint.



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Peonies, Poppies & Petals Coloring Book

Peonies, Poppies & Petals Coloring Book is a celebration of floral beauty, creative calm and refined design. With its stunning painted page edges and deluxe matte-laminate cover, this book is as much a visual statement as it is a relaxing retreat. This sumptuous colouring book features: • Elegant painted edges • Foil, embossing, and matte lamination on the cover • More than 150 gorgeous floral designs to colour.



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Botanical Blooms Coloring Book

Over 150 Pages of Enchanting Florals to Color

Step into a world of beautiful botanicals and enchanting florals with this lushly designed colouring book. • More than 150 flower and plant designs • Back-of-the-page meditative patterns to colour • Layflat binding for easy colouring • A beautifully illustrated full-colour introduction • A gorgeous cover with foil, embossing, rounded corners and sprayed edges making this a book you'll want to take with you – or gift to others.



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Epic Journeys and Grand Tours Travel

Sticker, Color & Activity Book

This book includes everything you need to inspire your inner explorer. From steam trains to vintage suitcases, passport stamps to gilded globes, its pages capture the romance of travel when voyages were measured in weeks, not hours, and every destination promised new marvels. Inside, you'll find: • Exquisite travel-themed stickers perfect for embellishing journals, postcards, luggage tags, scrapbooks and wherever your imagination takes you • Quotable reflections on travel and exploration by celebrated writers and adventurers • Fun trivia about the golden age of travel, from steamer trunks and travel etiquette to famous grand tours • Captivating colouring pages filled with maps, monuments, vintage transportation and dreamy destinations waiting for your creative touch.



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Craft

The Bad Corset

A Feminist Reimagining Rebecca Gibson

The Bad Corset is a remarkable resource, taking a feminist approach to female agency and choice, and helping you reconsider the way we think about the shaping of women's bodies, and their lives. This fascinating exploration critiques the presumptions and anxieties of male medical professionals on the 'damage' caused by corsets to the female body and psyche. Rather than seeing the women who wore these perceived instruments of torture as victims or dupes, the book confidently asserts the agency of the women who wore them and highlights our interpretation of the past, and women's lives and histories.



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Can Do Picks

How to Read a Wedding Dress

A Guide to Changing Bridal Fashion from the 18th to the 21st Century Lydia Edwards

Lavishly illustrated in full colour, Lydia Edwards offers a fascinating glimpse into the evolution of bridal wear around the world, from the Renaissance up to the modern day. This guide explores prevalent trends and developments, including how the Victorian fashion for white silk (a break from the previous 18th-century tradition of the bride simply donning a 'best dress') over the course of the 19th century developed into the now familiar and indeed ubiquitous cultural icon of the white wedding dress and veil. Finally, she explores how today, brides worldwide are reimagining the past and incorporating 'vintage' style as an integral part of their big day and considers style choices influenced by gender identity fluidity and same-sex marriage. This is the ideal guide to the wedding dress for students, researchers of fashion history and anyone looking for inspiration for their big day.



\$49.99 Paperback 245 x 190mm 256pp 260226

Pressed Flower Handbook

Sarah Holland

The Pressed Flower Handbook is an inspiring and accessible guide to the age-old craft of flower pressing, told through the seasonal rhythms of Sarah Holland's garden. Sarah brings her thoughtful perspective and sustainable ethos to every page, showing you how to grow, gather, press and craft with flowers. This richly illustrated book features step-by-step instructions for traditional pressing techniques, storage tips, troubleshooting and guidance on preserving colour and form. It also includes a beautiful collection of creative projects that turn pressed flowers into lasting works of art – such as wall pieces, greeting cards and meaningful tokens to share.



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High Flyers Fold the Best Paper Planes for Sky-High Fun

Unleash creativity and spark friendly competition with this all-in-one paper plane kit – perfect for pilots young and old! • Fly the best plane designs in the world: From record-breaking distance flyers to speedy darts and long-lasting gliders, these tried-and-tested planes are built to soar. • Easy and fun for everyone: Pre-printed fold lines and step-by-step tutorials make crafting high-performance planes simple – whether you're a beginner or an origami pro. • Retro-inspired designs: Each sheet features vibrant, illustrated patterns for a nostalgic yet stylish look. • Screen-free fun: Rediscover the joy of hands-on play and share timeless memories with family and friends. • Complete Kit: Includes 20 double-sided instructional cards and 60 colourful sheets with fold lines for quick, easy launches.



\$27.99 Boxed Kit 260364

Birth Flowers in Watercolor

A Creative Guide to Painting Personal Floral Art for Every Month Kristin Van Leuven

Birth Flowers in Watercolor is a beautifully illustrated guide to painting the symbolic flowers of each birth month. Kristin Van Leuven walks you through 24 flower tutorials – two per month – using step-by-step instructions and tips that make watercolour accessible to everyone. Inside you'll find: • Step-by-step • Pre-printed sketches on high-quality watercolour paper • QR codes for easy-to-follow paint-alongs with Kristin • Tips and techniques for creating vibrant floral compositions • Inspiration for meaningful, personalized gifts and keepsakes.



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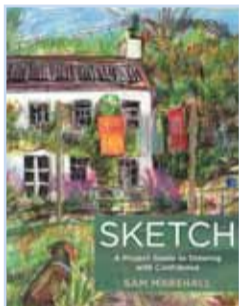
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Practical Art

Sketch A Project Guide to Drawing with Confidence Sam Marshall

Sam Marshall believes we are all inherently creative and through her book she invites you into a welcoming workshop where you will develop techniques to help you maintain a regular drawing practice. This is not a 'how to draw' book but an encouraging project guide that will support you to sketch and be creative in your own way. The book starts with a series of warm-up exercises and then leads into a set of challenges divided into chapters that increase in complexity from drawing at home and in green spaces to drawing from paintings. It concludes with a series of more advanced exercises including collage as a means of drawing and working on larger imaginative pieces. This is an inspirational guide that will change the way you think and feel about drawing.



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Reverse Coloring: Gardens

Add Your Own Lines and Doodles to Create 70 Unique Artworks Sarah Van Der Linden

Doodle, embellish and refine the vibrant watercolour artworks, for a fun, mindful craft with stunning, easy-to-achieve results. • 70 vibrant, expressive paintings of dream-like gardens, bursting with energy and ready to be embellished or doodled on as you wish • There's no need to know how to draw and no need to stay within the lines, just follow the shapes, explore your creativity and let your imagination guide you • Refine details, layer plants add flowers and foliage or completely reinterpret the watercolour images for impressive results • The paper is sturdy and uncoated, allowing you to doodle away with no risk of bleed-through.



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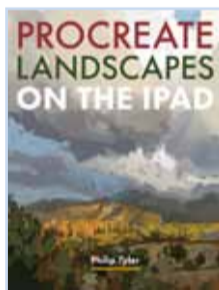


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Procreate Landscapes on the iPad

Philip Tyler

Procreate Landscapes on the iPad explains how to use this ingenious package to paint powerful landscapes at the press of the Apple pencil. By breaking down painting a landscape into different steps, it shows how Procreate can help an artist find their direction and try new techniques to create more expressive work. Referencing the work of Masters throughout, Philip Tyler shows how digital painting follows a long tradition of artists observing and interpreting the landscape, and how you can effectively use Procreate to develop your own ideas.

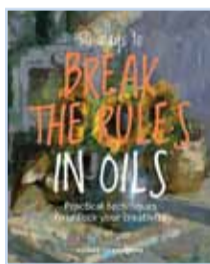


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50 Ways to Break the Rules in Oils

Practical Techniques to Unblock Your Creativity Haidee-Jo Summers

Packed with rule-breaking practical techniques, tricks and approaches to unlock your creativity, this is the guide to creating truly innovative art. • Paint outside the box: 50 fun, rule-breaking exercises, each with an inspiring finished painting, practical techniques and handy tips • Lose the fear of getting it wrong: Learn to reconnect with your creativity, develop an eye for innovation and never feel afraid of a blank canvas again • Perfect for artists of all abilities: Discover inspiration for your next project dip in and out if you find a rule you want to challenge, or work through them in order • Reinvigorate your painting practice: the practical exercises are worked in oils, but the principles apply across different artistic mediums



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Light and Color in the Watercolor Landscapes

Essential Principles and Techniques Vladislav Yeliseyev

Vladislav Yeliseyev shares his proven techniques for harnessing light and shadow, creating luminous colours and refining compositions to enhance realism and impact. With step-by-step guidance, detailed demonstrations, and QR codes linking to exclusive video tutorials, this book provides a deep dive into the fundamental and advanced methods needed to create stunning paintings. Yeliseyev draws on his experience as an architectural illustrator and fine artist to teach: • How to compose compelling landscapes using focal points, balance and perspective • Techniques for layering washes to build depth and vibrant colour harmony • The role of values in creating striking, realistic lighting effects • How to capture reflections, shadows and atmospheric conditions in both plein air and studio settings • Essential watercolour techniques, including wet-on-wet blending, dry-brush detailing and edge control.



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Cut Up This Book and Create Your Own Extraordinary Places

Places *Maria Rivans*

The book features helpful step-by-step tutorials to demonstrate collaging techniques, and seven fabulous backgrounds on heavier paper. On the lighter paper are over 800 images to cut out and stick as you please. Place your astronaut on a beach, or your picnickers on the ocean floor. Once again, Maria Rivans has triumphed with a glorious book to inspire her many collaging fans.



\$39.99 Paperback 310 x 235mm 128pp 260334

How to Style a Hat Find, Decorate and Rock Your Dream Hat

How to Style a Hat *Brittany Cobb*

How to Style a Hat is a comprehensive guide exploring everything from the brim to the crown to the art of styling hats to perfection, including: • The basics: Learn about the history, the materials, how to care for your favourite hats, and more. • Styling secrets: What's your vibe? Maximalist? Minimalist? Build a beautiful hat that reflects your unique point of view. • DIY flair: Discover how to decorate and customize your hats using eye-catching extras like feathers, playing cards and matchbooks. • Bling it out: Use old jewellery, belt buckles, vintage pins and one-of-a-kind finds to make it sparkle. • Insider advice: Learn how to source materials and get fashion advice from the hat queen herself.



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Gardening

Hot Beds Second Ed How to Grow Early Crops Using an Age-Old Technique

Jack First

The ancient method of hot-bed gardening, once favoured by both the Romans and the Victorians, uses the natural heat generated by decomposing organic matter to grow out-of-season vegetables in small spaces. Featuring hundreds of photographs, this accessible book gives you everything you need to build and maintain your own hot bed. With clear step-by-step instructions, a detailed calendar year and helpful diagrams, it's a must have for anyone looking to extend their growing season in a sustainable, budget-friendly way.



\$34.99 Paperback 190 x 140mm 208pp 260225

Kew Gardener's Guide to Growing Orchids The Art and Science to Grow Your Own Orchids

Philip Seaton

Underpinned by the authority of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew and the expertise of Philip Seaton, this book combines practical elements with inspiration and beauty. Philip chooses 60 of the best species to become permanent and happy members of your home. The author shows how to welcome new plants, to revive their flagging spirits as well as their basic care and cultivation. He shows how to produce and train flowers, to collect and sow their seed, and how to plant and display them in a terrarium, or on bark or in a basket. Find out when to water them, how to repot them and the ideal room and conditions that each orchid needs to thrive. The combination of botanical beauty and practical advice will inspire beginners and experienced growers to grow new species in many different ways.

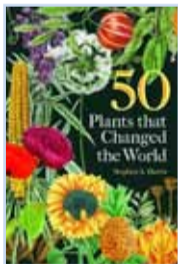


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50 Plants that Changed the World

Stephen A Harris

Beginning with some of the earliest uses of plants, Stephen Harris takes us on an exciting journey through history, identifying 50 plants that have been key to the development of the western world, discussing trade, imperialism, politics, medicine, travel and chemistry along the way. There are plants here that have changed landscapes, fomented wars and fuelled slavery. Others have been the trigger for technological advances, expanded medical knowledge or simply made our lives more pleasant. Plants have provided paper and ink, chemicals that could kill or cure, vital sustenance and stimulants. Some, such as barley, have been staples from earliest times; others, such as oil palm, are newcomers to western industry.



\$49.99 Hardback 235 x 155mm 320pp 250629

Gardens that can Save the World

Lottie Delamain

Bringing together the galvanizing stories of 65 projects that revolve around plants, *Gardens that can Save the World* reveals how small changes can have a big impact on you, your loved ones and the environment around us. Whether you're a green-fingered garden aficionado or have yet to step outside your front room, award-winning garden designer Lottie Delamain's uplifting book reveals how people from all walks of life are harnessing nature to right the planet's wrongs. Packed with inspiration, it will encourage you to try out easy-to-replicate strategies in your own plant pot, balcony or further afield.



\$64.99 Hardback 245 x 215mm 256pp 260082

General Interest

Tender Warm-Hearted Braises, Soups, Curries, Ragus + More

Lucy Tweed

The gorgeous, heartfelt and flavour-packed meals in this book run the range from hearty stews to zippy braises and curries, as well as a wide world of soups and ragus – everything is designed to warm you up and there is no need for special equipment – just a stove or oven will do. Start with a flexible and fool-proof basic braise recipe that you take in any direction you choose, or be led lovingly into the arms of a steak and peppercorn stew with mash, or a French onion fettuccine. Get ahead with a dal that begins its life in a jar in your pantry, or enliven the whole house with a Thai-style bouillabaisse. This is warm food for cold times – or any time of year at all. Sometimes we all just need a little tenderness.



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Style Icons: Audrey Hepburn

A Dress-Up Paper Doll Book

Elizabeth Weitzman

Audrey Hepburn is the epitome of classic glamour – an icon of understated chic who left an indelible mark on both cinema and fashion. This stylish paper doll book features a press-out Audrey mannequin and ten of her most iconic looks, beautifully illustrated. From the unforgettable black Givenchy dress in Breakfast at Tiffany's to her crisp cigarette pants and ballet flats, each outfit captures the refined charm and enduring influence of Audrey's signature style. With fashion collaborations from Hubert de Givenchy to Edith Head, this paper doll book is a must-have for Audrey admirers, fashion fans, and vintage lovers alike.



\$24.99 Paperback 280 x 215mm 48pp 260151

60 Second Memory Challenge

Roland Hall

60 Second Memory Challenge is your ultimate brain-training companion, packed with quick, engaging puzzles designed to boost recall, focus and mental agility. Each challenge takes just a minute, making it easy to fit memory workouts into your busy day. Puzzle types include: • Object Recall: memorize everyday items and test your retention • Number Sequences: strengthen short-term memory with rapid numeric challenges. • Spot the Difference: sharpen attention to detail • Written Recall: memorise and reproduce text passages • Logic-based puzzles: including Sudoku, Killer Sudoku, and Greater Than.



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The Poetry of Flowers

Samuel Carr Ed.

This exquisite book is a classic collection which contains over 50 poems accompanied by beautiful illustrations of a range of different flowers. From verses celebrating the beginning of spring with the emergence of the snowdrops, daffodils and bluebells to poems that honour the summer colour of asters, the heady scent of jasmine and the brazen sunflower. The classic poets featured include Shakespeare, Alfred, Lord Tennyson, Thomas Hardy, Walt Whitman, Emily Dickinson and Seamus Heaney. There's also a range of rich poetry from less-famous names which have stood the test of time and evoke nature's beauty, as well as contemporary poets such as Lemn Sissay, Imtiaz Dharker, Wendy Cope and Ada Limón.



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Cozy Stickers: My Little Cozy Home

This sticker book invites you to make your own adorable, miniature 3D scenes, using 800 tiny stickers and a custom set of tweezers. Create and discover charming scenes filled with adorable characters living their little routines at home, including: • Playing games in the living room • Cooking delicious meals in the kitchen • Relaxing in a hot bath • Cozying up in the bedroom • Watering the vegetable garden. Use the specially designed tweezers included with the book to place the gorgeous stickers carefully and bring these sweet and charming illustrations to



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The Globemakers The Curious Story of an Ancient Craft

Peter Bellerby

The author is the founder of Bellerby & Co. Globemakers, the world's only truly bespoke maker of globes. The book takes us through the journey of how to build a globe, or 'earth apples' as they were first known, and includes fascinating vignettes on history, art history, astronomy and physics, as well as the day-to-day craftsmanship at the workshop itself. This beautiful book uses illustration, photography and narrative to tell the story of our globe and many different globes it has inspired.



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Large Print Word Search

With puzzles that increase in difficulty as you go, *Large Print Word Search* provides fun for hours away from the screen. In addition to all the word-filled fun, science has shown that solving puzzles improves cognitive function, memory and mood. This beautifully designed word search book features: • 300 word searches covering anything and everything, providing hours of brain-sharpening entertainment • Large print for easy reading • A range of challenge levels, from easy to difficult.



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Charlotte Brontë's Life Through Clothes

Eleanor Houghton

Eleanor Houghton's innovative, richly illustrated biography finally gives voice to the gowns, bonnets, shawls, corsets, parasols and boots that make up the novelist's wardrobe. These clothes, some of which still bear the imprint of her foot or the sweat from her pores, prove themselves to be far more than mere celebrity curios. When 'read' alongside letters, portraits, her novels and the recollections of those who knew her well, Charlotte emerges as a woman altogether braver, more vulnerable, less isolated, less provincial, more fashion conscious than anyone ever expected. Myths are shattered, preconceptions challenged, and, the real Charlotte Brontë, beyond the famous author, finally emerges.



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Warning, When I am an Old Woman I Shall Wear Purple

Jenny Joseph

Voted Britain's favourite poem, 'Warning', written in 1961, is known and loved the world over for its message of old age as a time for indulgence and fun. In the poem's respectable middle-aged woman, as she imagines herself in old age as a cheeky rebel with outrageous clothes and dotty behaviour, poet Jenny Joseph has created a character whose thoughts have been quoted at conferences and funerals, used to cheer up sick friends and remembered with pleasure by children and adults alike around the world. Here, 'Warning' appears as a beautiful, updated edition with new illustrations; the perfect gift for a friend or relative who wants to grow older with a joyful and rebellious spirit.



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Children

The Fantastical Safari

1000-Piece Jigsaw Puzzle

Kristjana S Williams

From Darwin's finches in the Galapagos islands to sea pigs on the floor of the Antarctic Ocean, discover where each fantastical creature lives as you slot them into place on the world map. • Piece together a world of discovery and uncover hidden habitats and more than 80 amazing animals as you go. • Puzzlers will enjoy the organic edge pieces shaped around beautiful botanicals • Includes a poster with a large-scale puzzle image on one side and information about all the creatures featured and their fascinating habitats on the other • Screen-free fun for the whole family.



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Fingertrail Animal Mazes

Maze puzzles are a great way for children to develop and practise cognitive, navigational and fine-motor skills. Help Anya the angelfish find her way through a coral reef and Basil the dog navigate an obstacle course by following the finger trails in this delightful young puzzle book. It features ten simple mazes with a variety of themes and charming detailed illustrations. Recommended for ages 1+.

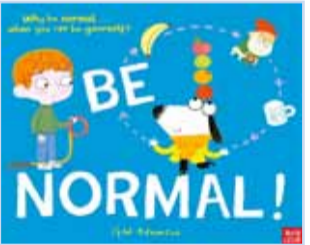


\$19.99 Board Book 260 x 225mm 16pp 250055

Be Normal Why be Normal ... When You Can Be Yourself?

Ged Adamson

Theo can't wait to get his very own dog. But when Geoff arrives, Theo is confused... Geoff doesn't play fetch, chase squirrels or do any normal doggy things. He likes painting and making smoothies! When Theo has to introduce Geoff to his friends, he's SO embarrassed. Why can't Geoff be like other dogs? But maybe, just maybe, Theo will discover that accepting your friends just as they are, is MUCH more important than being normal. After all, why be normal... when you can be yourself? A funny and touching story about friendship and celebrating individuality recommended for ages 3+.



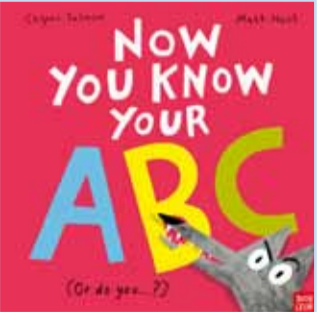
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Now You Know Your ABC

... or do you?

Caspar Salmon & Matt Hunt

A is for apple. B is for ball. C is for castle. But wait! D is NOT for dog. There's a wolf in this book and it's lurking right behind you. YOU are the hero of this story! Can you spot the sneaky wolf hiding throughout this book, escape its clutches and make it all the way to Z? You better watch out for its devious disguises! Recommended for ages 3+.



\$24.99 Hardback 280 x 280mm 32pp 260228

Mango and Hopscotch

Sophie Cunningham & Anil Tortop

Mango and Hopscotch live in a beautiful tropical forest on the banks of a big river. Together, they munch on grass and lounge in the shade. One day, while the mob graze quietly, drops of rain start to fall. Lightning flashes, thunder rumbles. Soon it is pouring. And then the river bursts its banks ... This is the true tale of a brave kangaroo and her joey rescued from floodwaters. Recommended for ages 3+.



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