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MARK HAS BECOME A CAT

Text by Luca Tortolini, illustrations by Valeria Suria

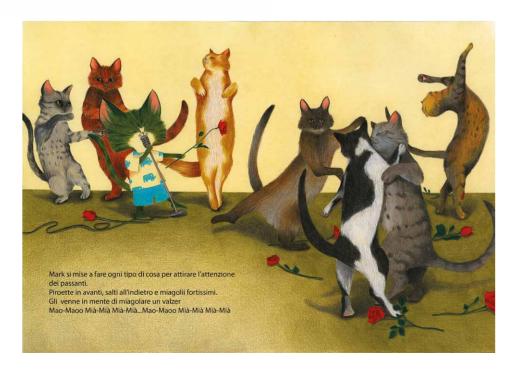
One day Mark wakes up but something strange has happened: he is a cat! The adventure is about to start: from a port to a shop, Mark will follow his newfound instincts. When a child convinces his mother to buy him a cat, Mark finds a new home, but only for one night.



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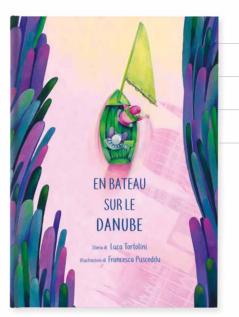
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BY BOAT ALONG THE RIVER DANUBE

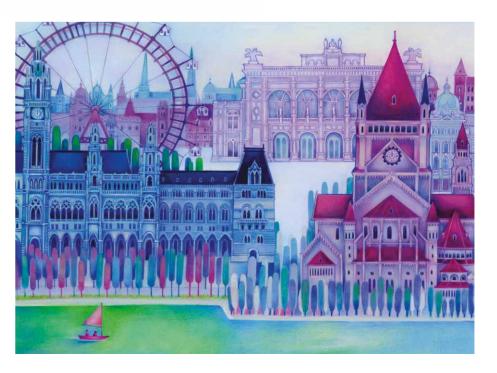
Text by Luca Tortolini, illustrations by Francesca Pusceddu

Joseph's heart is broken and he decides to retire and live far away, deep in The Black Forest. His quiet and lonely life is totally shocked by the arrival of Dalton, a tender sweet man, rejected by all. Dalton wants to build his house next to Joseph. Despite the initial mistrust, they start a journey by boat on the Danube.



HARDCOVER, 42 PAGES

PUBLICATION: FALL 2019



COMING SOON

JOHANNA'S PLANT

Text and illustrations by Luca Caimmi

Johanna and her plant, Agave, are best friends and live in the mountains. Agave lives in a small pot and Johanna takes her everywhere.

Plants like Agave need a warm, sunny climate to grow in, and Johanna feels that her friend is suffering for want of that. And so their journey begins by train, through a strange, cactus-filled forest, in search of the right place for Agave to live.



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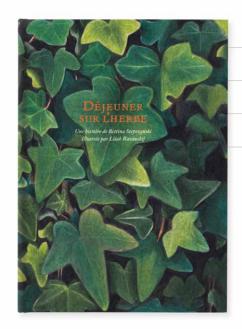
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DÉJEUNER SUR L'HERBE

Text by Bettina Stepczynski, illustrations by Lilah Ravinskij

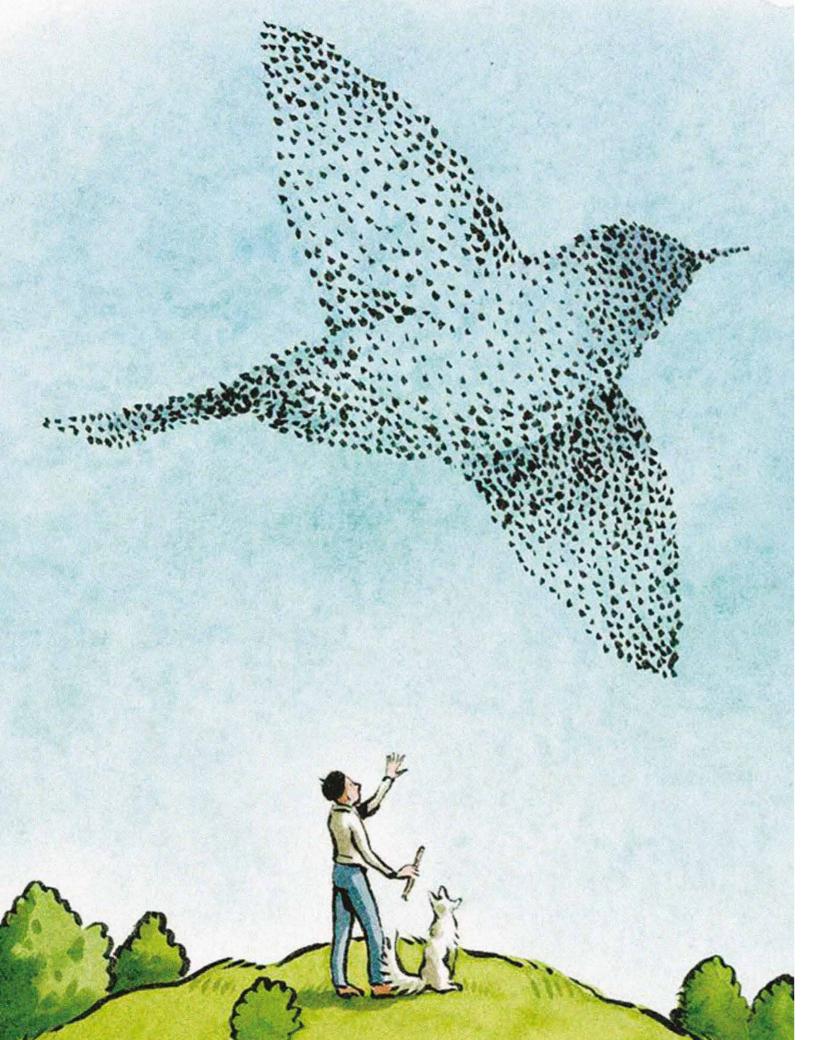
Le Déjeuner sur l'Herbe by Édouard Manet inspires two teenagers to recreate the famous painting. The most difficult part is to find a woman who will agree to pose naked for the photo. One of them asks his aunt, who accepts. When the moment finally arrives, the situation is so overwhelming that they ditch the photo shoot. A text that talks of the tenderness and the embarrassment of youth, and the fascinating power of art.



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CORA'S ADVENTURES

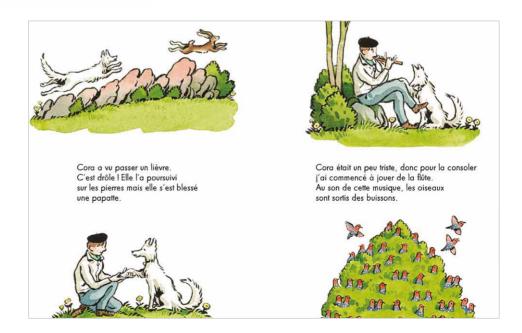
Text and illustrations by Giovanni Manna

How about going on holidays?
Cora, the lively and smart dog lead in this story, is about to discover the beauty of a feather, the yellow of the flowers, travelling from the Moon to the deepest sea, running, flying, swimming.
The perfect travel guide for all curious readers.



HARDCOVER, 52 PAGES

SIZE: 11 X 15,2 CM





WHAT'S THAT, DID IT GIVE UP?

Text and illustrations by Catarina Sobral

One day the World disappears. It quits, leaving no message or sign.

Nobody understands what is happening and nobody seems to be able to find a solution. Scientists, philosophers, ecologists: none of them have an answer.

Where is the World?

What can we do to have it back?



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THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WINTER

Text and illustrations by Cristina Sitja Rubio

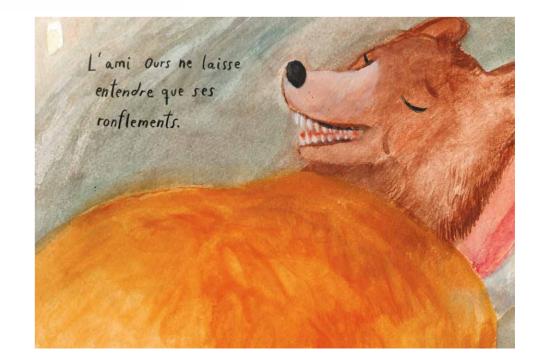
Winter is coming and animals are preparing their homes for hibernation, all of them, except for the badger. This year he would like to do something different; he wants to spend the entire winter with his friends. Soon he discovers it's not so simple. The bear, the hedgehogs and the turtles are all asleep. What will he do all alone for the coming months? New friends are about to appear.



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OCTOBER

Text by Sandra Bessière, illustrations by Cristina Sitja Rubio

A year is made up of months, days, hours, minutes. Every year seasons come and go. Every year October prepares the stage for November and December, and January, and so on until another Summer comes, and another Autumn, and again October is here, ready with its orange and yellow leaves.



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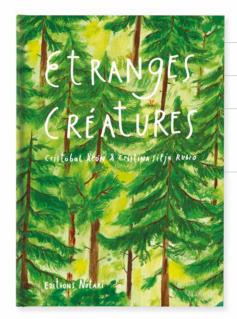
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STRANGE CREATURES

Text by Cristobal León and Cristina Sitja Rubio, illustrations by Cristina Sitja Rubio

It is a special day in the woods; a big party is about to start! Animals are enjoying the music, they dance and they laugh. But when they return home, their houses have disappeared; there aren't any trees left. They try to build new homes using the garbage they find but, of course, with no success. Sad and surprised, they discover that there are some strange creatures who are taking away the trees. The animals will need a great plan to convince the thieves to give back what they have stolen.



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MIR

Text by Laura Manaresi, illustrations by Giovanni Manna

Between 1986 and 2001 a space station called MIR travelled around our planet. In Russian, *Mir* means a lot of things: Peace, Universe and Earth. This book is not a celebration of the scientific mission but rather a journey into the astronaut's humanity. A seed inside the space station generates a little, green, fragile plant and when the scientist finds it, he is only concerned about keeping it alive. The plant becomes a symbol of our planet, of love and of the best feelings humanity can show towards the Earth: respect and care.

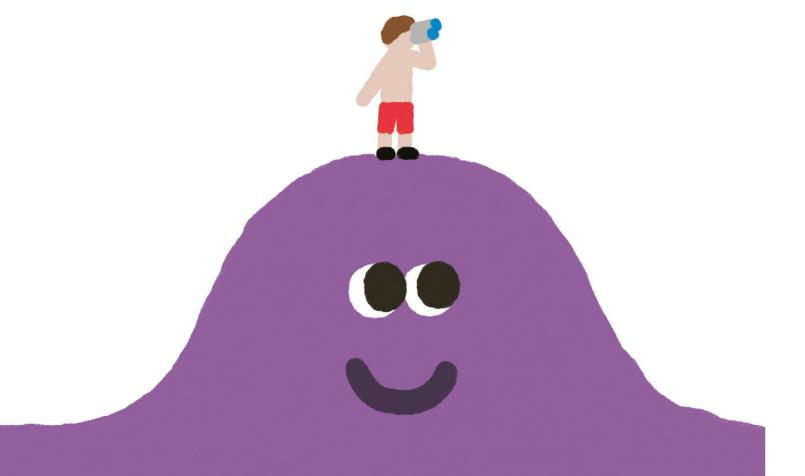


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Montagnes pour observer



MOUNTAINS

Text and illustrations by Antonio Ladrillo

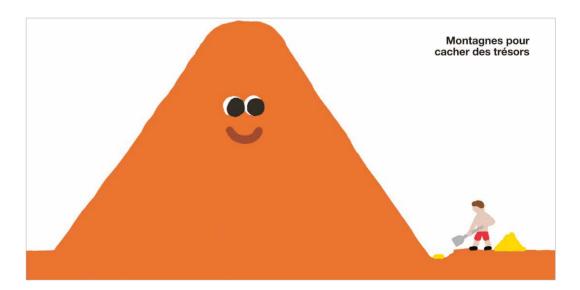
Mountains are a place where you can spend your time in many different ways: you can play, walk, lie in the sun. Mountains are also a state of mind: move, stop, listen to their sounds, live the atmosphere and breathe their air, hide in them, and read a book, peacefully, lying on the grass.



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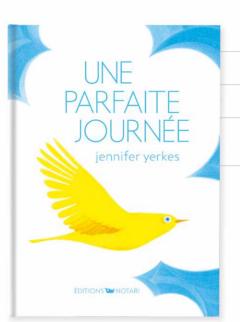




A PERFECT DAY

Text and illustrations by Jennifer Yerkes

A spring day sprouts up through the pages. The sunny, warm air, and the tiny and delicate sounds of nature are interrupted by a strong, intense storm, filling everything with the blue and violet of the rain. Once finished, everything comes back to life, like on a perfect spring day.



HARDCOVER: 40 PAGES

SIZE: 17,5 X 23,5 cm

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I WAS TOLD THAT THE MOON...

Text by Conce Codina, illustrations by Martin Jarrie

In all traditions, myths and religions, the Moon has always been a symbol, a place, a deity, inspiring poets, writers, singers and painters.

In many languages there are different ways to explain the influence of the Moon in everyday life, its phases, its appearance, the connection with our planet. The dialogue between words and illustrations engages the gaze of the reader and stimulates imagination.



HARDCOVER, 42 PAGES

SIZE: 25 X 20,5 cm

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LISTEN TO THE MUSIC

Text and illustrations by Motomitsu Maehara

Imagine reading and listening to the sounds of nature: the music of the Moon, of clouds, and flowers, each with their own melody.

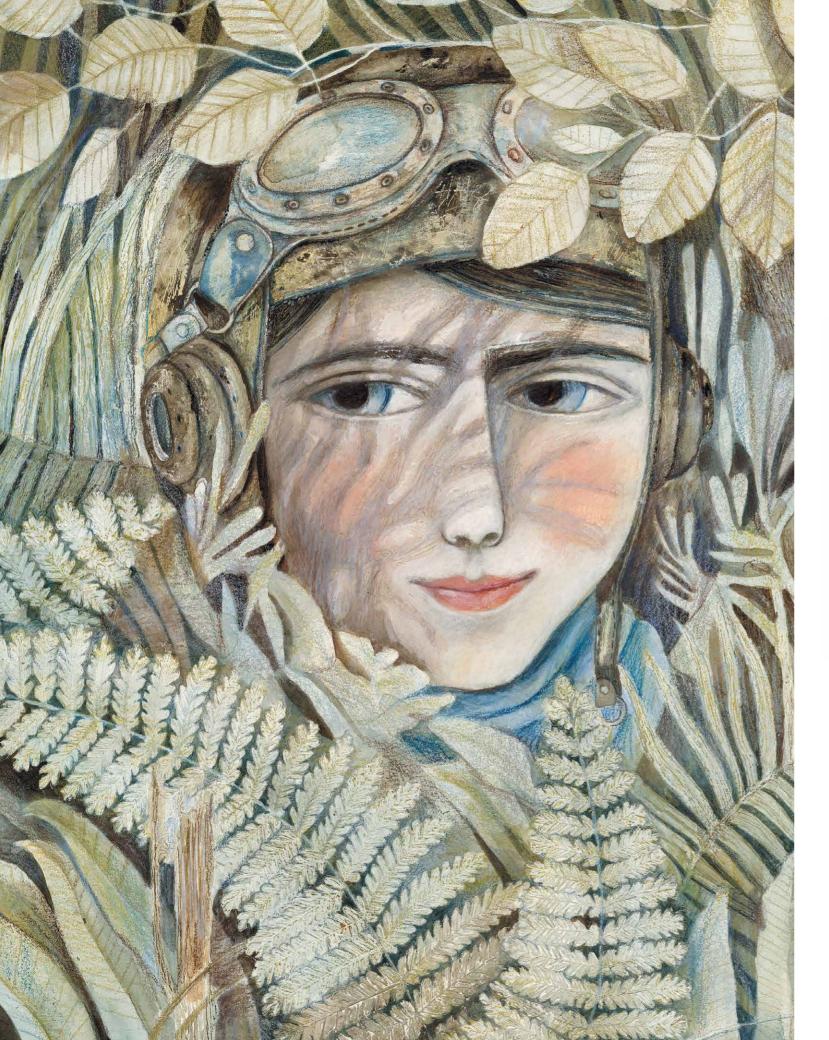
A meditative book inviting the reader to stop and listen to the tiniest sounds of nature and the truths hidden therein.



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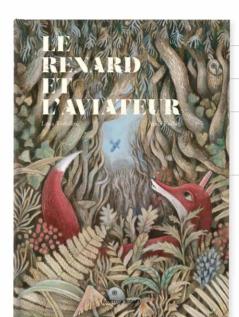




THE FOX AND THE AVIATOR

Text by Luca Tortolini, illustrations by Anna Forlati

The Fox and the Aviator is the story of the friendship between a fox and a pilot. Despite their initial fears, the animal and the man discover they have more in common than expected. They dream, they talk and they live together for a while. When the moment to return to the forest arrives, something unexpected happens. Inspired by the life of Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, the book explores friendship, fear of the unknown, and the wonderful discovery of the other.



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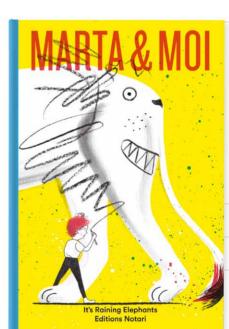




MARTHA AND ME

Text and illustrations by It's raining elephants

Martha loves to draw: this is how she creates the Lion. What happens next is the most unexpected: Lion comes out the paper and the two friends embark on a wonderful adventure. Floating between reality and imagination, surrounded by a colourful forest or a noisy city, Martha and Lion smile, scream, run around and listen to the music together.



"Deceptively simple line drawings complement dramatic paintings and bright splotches stylistically reminiscent of Jackson Pollock.

The primary palette - heavy on the yellow - lends to the action and rising tension.

Details big and small will leap out to sharp-eyed pre-readers, and simple rhyming couplets offer children opportunities to join in a read-aloud.

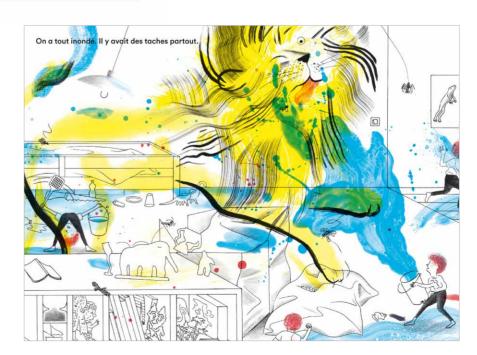
Doled out one line per double-page spread, they keep the pacing of this extra-long picture book sprightly."

Kirkus Review

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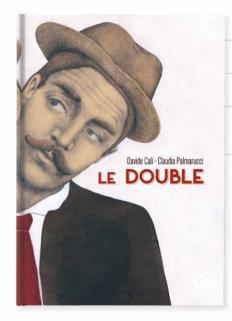
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THE DOUBLE

Text by Davide Calì, illustrations by Claudia Palmarucci

Javier works a lot, maybe too much. He needs to quit his job to take care of his family and rediscover love and the true sense of his life, but his boss has an extreme solution to convince him not to leave. A double, a copy of Javier, will take care of all his personal matters, so the real Javier can fully concentrate on his job. A good opportunity or a trap? How does it feel to see someone living the life you have always dreamt about?



PAPERBACK, 64 PAGES

SIZE: 17 X 24 cm

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Cette histoire remonte à bien longtemps.

À l'époque, j'étais jeune et plein d'énergie. Je n'étais jamais fatigué. Je travaillais depuis peu dans le bureau d'une grande usine. Je ne saurais pas expliquer exactement ce que l'on faisait, mais on était tous très occupés.

J'étais chargé de compter le nombre de pièces que l'usine produisait par mois.

Tous les mois, ils nous disaient qu'il fallait augmenter la production et moi je comptais combien de pièces on arrivait à fabriquer en plus.



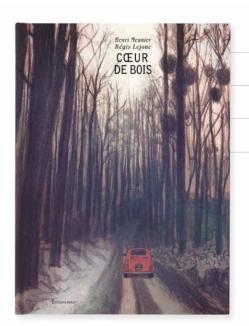


HEART OF THE WOOD

Text by Henri Meunier, illustrations by Régis Lejonc

Heart of the Wood is a modern telling of Little Red Riding Hood, with a grown up character called Aurore who, when faced with the past, shows that forgiveness is possible.

The old wolf, now alone and ill, is only a shadow of himself as a young, wild animal. When Aurore visits him, in her Fiat 500 car, their conversation is all about love, growing up and trying not to be trapped by the evil around.



HARDCOVER, 34 PAGES

SIZE: 22 X 30 cm



A TREASURE OF SOUVENIRS

Text by Thomas Scotto, illustrations by Annaviola Faresin

Mr. Wilson decides to invite his friends and the entire neighbourhood to buy all his antiques. When he starts to sell his own memories, he realises the big mistake he is making. While he tries to have his past back, he comes to understand the difference between price and value, money and feelings, and the importance of sharing those moments and memories with someone.



PAPERBACK, 28 PAGES

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LOOK, I DON'T CRY ANYMORE

Text by Marie-Christophe Ruata-Arn, illustrations by Chiara Carrer

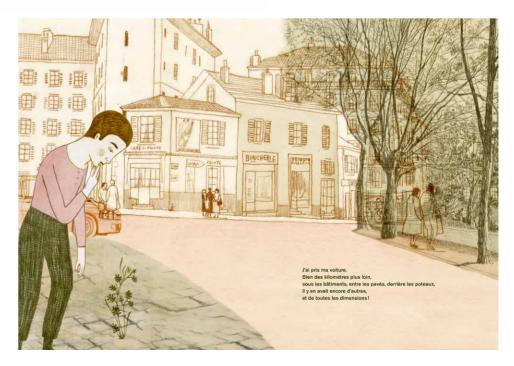
The end of a love story is always hard.

Our heart beats in solitude, our eyes see details that we've never noticed before, trying to find a sign, something empathetic with which to feel in contact. In this book, some little urban plants, growing between cold streets and walls, are the perfect companion for a journey into past memories and new emotions.



HARDCOVER. 38 PAGES

SIZE: 23,5 X 32,5 cm



YOU CLIMB TREES VERY WELL!

Text by Silvia Härri, illustrations by Cristina Pieropan

Benjamin moves from the countryside to the city. While the rest of the family seems excited and soon they find their new rhythm and their way in the new house, Benjamin feels only a mix of nostalgia and sadness. He is distant even to his little brother and has no intention of going outside to play like he was used to. But one day he steps out of his apartment and a new, surprising world appears to him. A new friend will teach him how to combine his past and present, and find his new self.



HARDCOVER. 30 PAGES

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THE UNKNOWN

Text by Luca Tortolini, illustrations by Daniela Iride Murgia

Somebody arrives one day and all the animals are scared and worried. The creature makes noise, does not interact as they would have thought; better not to talk, it might be dangerous. During this imaginary interview with a bear, a deer, a rabbit, clue after clue, the reader finally meets the terrible, helpless and stunning little creature they are all talking about.



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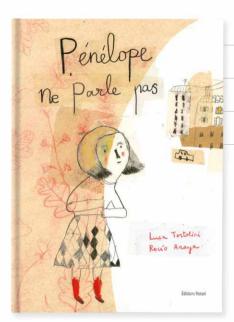
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PENELOPE DOES NOT SPEAK

Text by Luca Tortolini, illustrations by Rocío Araya

Penelope does not speak. She prefers to listen and she never utters a single word. People around her talk constantly, telling her what she should do, and how they see her future. Penelope loves to fish, with the silence and quiet of the river. How will she find herself and follow her own path without others' interferences? Will they all ever find a way to communicate?



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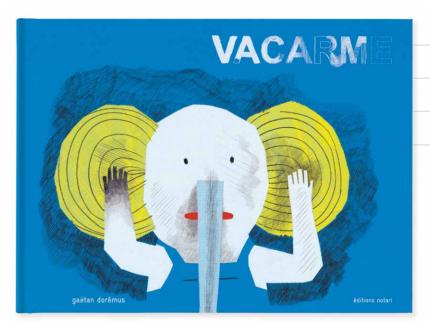


NOISE

Text and illustrations by Gaëtan Dorémus

A little elephant with big ears is shocked by the noises around him. People screaming, bombs going off, and a crescendo of sounds that make him feel as if he is in danger and too small for the world.

A small, noiseless detail will save him, and all of us, from the ugliness of violence and chaos by offering a new hope for a better world.



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SIZE: 31 X 24 cm



MARGARET'S PARK

Text and illustrations by Sara Stefanini

Marguerite's mum is sad and she is forced to stay in bed. The girl doesn't know how to help her, but she knows what both of them love: going to the park, staring at the sun, and watching people walking their dogs, their movement. How can Marguerite bring to her mother this joy and make her smile? The little girl will create her own garden, and its beauty will create a new, wonderful place.



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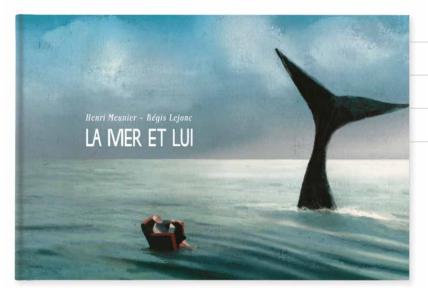
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THE SEA AND HIM

Text by Henri Meunier, illustrations by Régis Lejonc

An old captain is in love with the Sea, and so is the Sea. The two of them, forgetting about everything, live in a small apartment. The old captain swims from side to side, the Sea shines bright in blue. Outside, a dry landscape, and people awaiting the Sea's return to the place where it belongs.



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Un capitaine à terre N'est plus un capitaine. Même s'il a su garder Son navire avec lui, Même s'il a fait rentrer Son paquebot en bouteille.



WHEN I'LL BE VERY, VERY OLD

Text by Olivier Ka, illustrations by Carol Chaix

A child imagines his life when he will be old.

Nobody will tell him what to do and what not to do, and he has total control of his life.

This future of pure freedom is a moment where nothing is forbidden and everything is possible.



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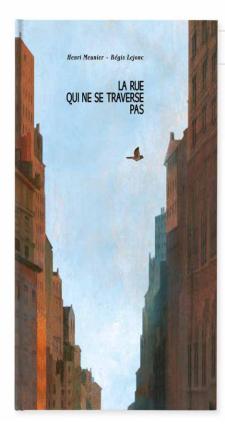


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THE NOT-TO-BE-CROSSED-STREET

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A CAT LIKE NO OTHER

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IN A GLANCE

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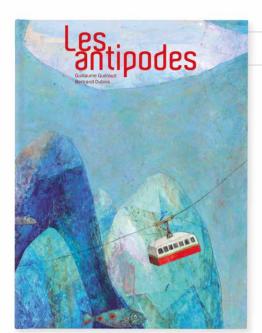
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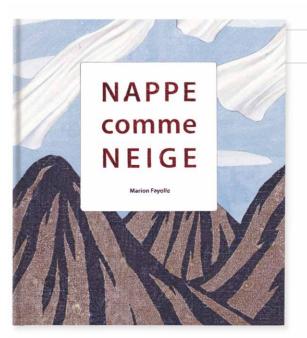
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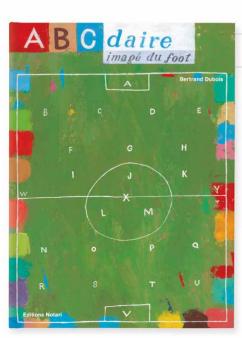
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