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“The reading of all good books is like conversation with the finest people of the past centuries.”

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A new book is an invitation into a new world. Whether it's a story, information about a well-loved or brand new topic, or a first introduction to learning, a book is the way in. These books entertain us, pique our curiosity, and spark our creativity—there's nothing else quite like it.

Let's start with a new title of the well-loved series with Emma and Louis. In *Explore the Ocean* we learn everything about the oceans and the people and creatures that live in and around them. Anton Hallman's charming illustrations highlight this colorful world. It's also time to learn about the amazing world of spies, agents and lies in *Top Secret*, a fascinating book about some of history's most notoriously sneaky spies. *Nocturnal*, the latest pairing from author Lucas Riera and illustrator Ángel Svoboda, is a colorful look at what goes on in the natural world after dark. *The Beach* and *The Mountain* are two new adventure picture books from Ximo Abadia, author of the much-loved Little Gestalten title *Goliath*. The newest addition to our board book list is *Fishing for Shapes* by the brilliant Argentinian illustrator Marcos Farina. This beautiful book of first shapes is a colorful delight.

Lastly, we look in on *Smart Animals*—these unexpectedly brilliant beasts may surprise us with their puzzle solving, communication, and understanding.

Every time a reader picks up a book, they walk away a more open, more creative person, uniquely able to interpret and use what they have learned as they carry on in life. Our books are aimed at children, but no matter who you are, they delight and inspire everyone who reads them.

We hope you enjoy our new list of titles.

Little Gestalten

About us: **Little Gestalten** celebrates today's most innovative authors and illustrators by bringing their work to life through original works of non-fiction, charming picture books, activity books and pop-ups. Thoughtfully designed, diligently printed and bound, our books are pushing the boundaries of traditional storytelling.

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Explore the Ocean

Adventures Under the Sea With Emma and Louis

Written by Anne Ameri-Siemens
Illustrated by Anton Hallmann

Category: Non-Fiction
Recommended for: Ages 7 and up
Features: Full color, hardcover, stitch bound, 64 pages, 24 x 28 cm, 9 1/2 x 11 inches
Price: €19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-750-9



RELEASE (EUROPE & UK): AUGUST 2023
RELEASE (INTERNATIONAL): SEPTEMBER 2023

WHAT TO EXPECT

- The third adventure of Emma and Louis, known from *Explore the World* and *Explore the Rainforest*
- Brilliant facts about underwater geography, volcanoes, ocean explorers and much more
- Spreading awareness for a habitat that needs our protection

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE



Explore the World
by Anton Hallmann
€19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-703-5

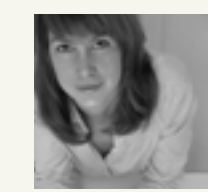
Explore the Rainforest
by Anne Ameri-Siemens & Anton Hallmann
€19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-719-6



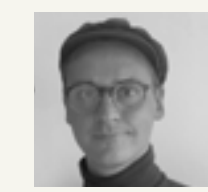
SAMPLE COVER

Explore the Ocean invites children to discover the secrets of the deep and learn all about those amazing habitats and the incredible creatures living there.

Get ready to join Emma and Louis as they *Explore the Ocean*! Meet incredible creatures, discover the secrets of the deep and learn all about the amazing habitats, geography, ocean climates, the flora and fauna and even the people who live and work on the world's oceans.



ANNE AMERI-SIEMENS is an award-winning writer who tells whimsical stories about the world around us. After working for *Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung*, she wrote a *Spiegel* bestseller. Anne lives in Berlin, but would like to spend more time in the rainforest. After *Who Invented This?* and *Explore the Rainforest* this is her third book with Little Gestalten.



ANTON HALLMANN was born in Brandenburg, Germany, and studied illustration at the Hamburg University of Applied Science. He is primarily working in editorial illustration for newspapers like *Die Zeit*, *Süddeutsche Zeitung*, and *FAZ*. His other clients include the likes of Google, Lufthansa, Deutsche Bahn, and others. He currently lives in Stockholm and *Explore the Ocean* is his third children's book with Little Gestalten, after *Explore the World* and *Explore the Rainforest*.



Top Secret

The Book of Spies and Agents

Written by Soledad Romero Mariño
Illustrated by Julio Antonio Blasco

Category: Non-Fiction
Recommended for: Ages 10 and up
Features: Full color, hardcover, stitch bound,
64 pages, 22 x 27 cm, 8 2/3 x 10 2/3 inches
Price: €19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-759-2



RELEASE (EUROPE & UK): OCTOBER 2023
RELEASE (INTERNATIONAL): NOVEMBER 2023

WHAT TO EXPECT

- An exciting journey through this mysterious side of history, presented in retro newspaper style
- Real stories full of suspense to engross children of all ages
- Beautiful illustrations, portraits of characters, scene plans and infographics to fully immerse the reader in the event

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE



Famous Robberies
by Soledad Romero Mariño & Julio Antonio Blasco
€19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-728-8

Legendary Escapes
by Soledad Romero Mariño & Julio Antonio Blasco
€19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-730-1



SAMPLE COVER

The world's most incredible spy stories.

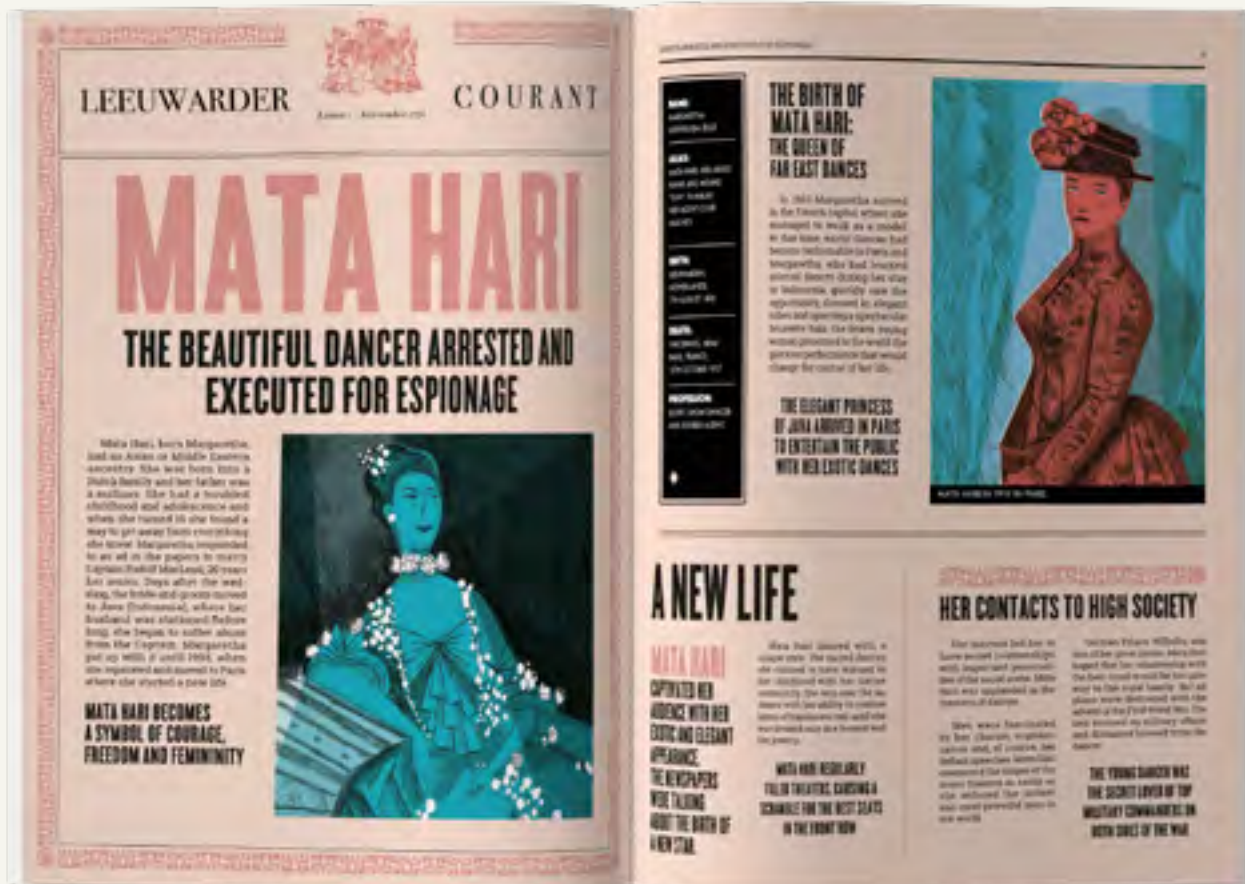
From ancient Rome to Tudor England, all the way through to the 20th century, the art of espionage has come a long way. But one thing has never changed—humans have always found surprisingly creative ways to gather top secret intelligence.

This book presents eight of the most notorious spies in history, from the 16th-century spymaster of Queen Elizabeth I to the Serbian-born agent who may have inspired the character of James Bond. *Top Secret* has everything you could wish to know about the world of spies, agents, and secrets.

SOLEDAD ROMERO MARIÑO began her career as a creative mind in advertising. In parallel, she founded her own publishing house where she collaborated with artists from all over the world. She now dedicates herself exclusively to the creation of children's books as an author and editor. After *Famous Robberies* and *Legendary Escapes* this is her third book with Little Gestalten.



JULIO ANTONIO BLASCO has worked as an illustrator and graphic designer for 15 years. He uses drawing, painting, collage, and other techniques to give life to books and characters. Besides drawing, he likes dreaming and being outdoors among plants, leaves, and flowers. *Top Secret* is his third book with Little Gestalten, after *Famous Robberies* and *Legendary Escapes*.



Nocturnal

Animals After Dark

Written by Lucas Riera
Illustrated by Ángel Svoboda

Category: Non-Fiction
Recommended for: Ages 7 and up
Translation: Eszter Kalmár
Features: Full color, hardcover, stitch bound, 48 pages, 28 x 32 cm, 11 x 13 inches
Price: €17.90 (D) £14.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-762-2



RELEASE (EUROPE & UK): AUGUST 2023
RELEASE (INTERNATIONAL): SEPTEMBER 2023

WHAT TO EXPECT

- The life of living-creatures and night-time natural phenomena
- All about the animals and plants that live their life mostly in the dark
- Fun facts and brilliant information with beautiful illustrations by renowned illustrator Ángel Svoboda

YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE



Penguins and Polar Bears
by Alicia Klepeis & Grace Helmer
€19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-89955-851-7



SAMPLE COVER

The incredible world of the animals, plants, and other natural phenomena that live their lives throughout the night.

Most living things are active as long as the sun shines in the sky, but at dusk, when the light dims, life continues. The moonlight illuminates the Earth, plants come to life, animals awoken and some organisms glow like jewels in the dark. For these creatures, plants and natural phenomena, the night falls and another day begins. *Nocturnal* is a beautiful invitation to come along and learn all about these mysteries of the night.



LUCAS RIERA is an author, editor and teacher specializing in natural history. He lives and works in Barcelona, Spain.



ÁNGEL SVOBODA is an illustrator, designer, publicist and author of many published books. He grew up and still lives in Alicante, Spain. In his free time, he loves drawing comic books and contributes with his art to the preservation of nature.



Smart Animals

Clever Creatures in the Animal Kingdom

Written by Michael Holland
Illustrated by Daniela Olejníková

Category: Non-Fiction
Recommended for: Ages 7 and up
Features: Full color, hardcover, stitch bound
64 pages, 24 x 28 cm, 9 1/2 x 11 inches
Price: €19.90 (D) £18.95 \$29.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-723-3



RELEASE (EUROPE & UK): JUNE 2023
RELEASE (INTERNATIONAL): AUGUST 2023

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Over 20 featured animals with full spread illustrations and entertaining texts
- Creating appreciation and awe for nature surrounding us
- Daniela Olejníková's unique style capturing children's imagination



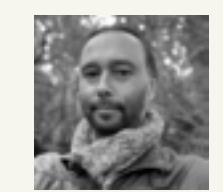
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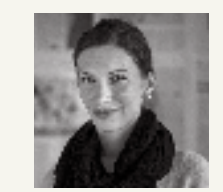
What makes an animal smart? What is smart? The brainpower of these brilliant beasts may surprise readers of all ages.

Our human brains have taken us all around the globe, and even into space ... But we are not the only clever creatures on the planet. Some animals are so smart that we don't even know the extent of their intelligence.

How do some animals play? Can they use tools? How do they solve problems? *Smart Animals* answers all these questions and more, as well as featuring octopuses navigating mazes, rats outsmarting lab experiments, dolphins giving each other names, orangutans solving riddles, counting honeybees and much more. Get ready for the most marvelous and mind-blowing masterminds from our animal kingdom!

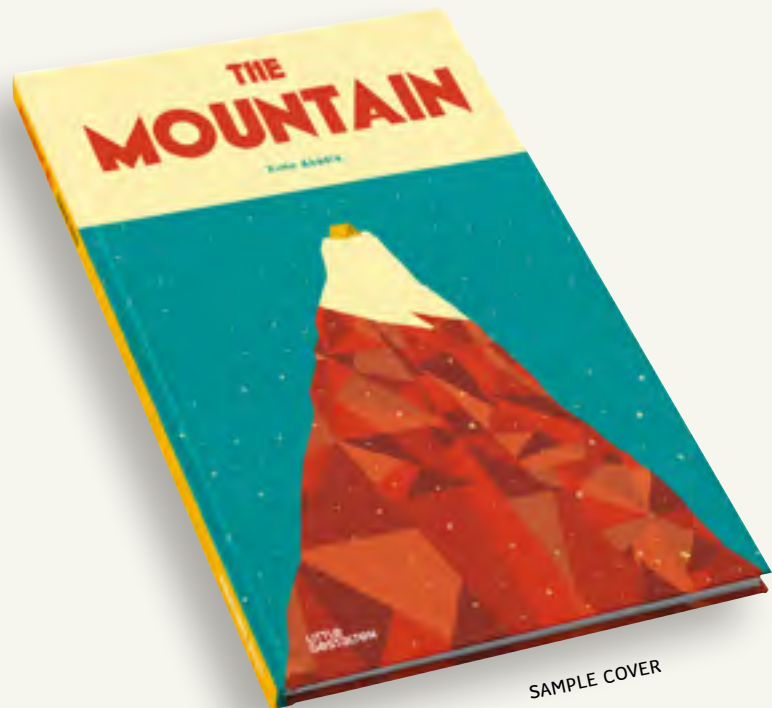


MICHAEL HOLLAND studied Ecology at Lancaster University and Oregon State University and is a keen photographer, wildlife gardener and all-round composting nerd! He is the author of the bestselling title *I Ate Sunshine for Breakfast* and this is his first book about animals.



Slovakian illustrator **DANIELA OLEJNÍKOVÁ** is passionate about screenprinting and linocut and has illustrated more than 20 titles for junior readers. Strokes of stylus, and colors layered and overprinted are her most significant methods of illustrating, same as simple shapes combined with patterns and textures. She is living in Bratislava. After illustrating the bestseller *In Great Numbers*, this is her second book with Little Gestalten.

NEW



The Mountain

by Ximo Abadía

Category: Picture Book
Recommended for: Ages 3 and up
Features: Full color, hardcover, stitch bound
32 pages, 21 x 30 cm, 8 ¼ x 11 ¾ inches
Price: €17.90 (D) £14.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-764-6



RELEASE (EUROPE & UK): JULY 2023
RELEASE (INTERNATIONAL): AUGUST 2023

Camping, skiing, hiking... There's so much to do when you visit the mountains!

Spend a day in the mountains, exploring new places and enjoying the incredible sights! You can hike, go camping or climbing, you can see the amazing wildlife or, depending on the weather, swim or even play in the snow! *The Mountain* is a beautiful visual journey for young children, all about the joy of being outside in nature. Let's go on an adventure!



NEW



The Beach

by Ximo Abadía

Category: Picture Book
Recommended for: Ages 3 and up
Features: Full color, hardcover, stitch bound
32 pages, 21 x 30 cm, 8 ¼ x 11 ¾ inches
Price: €17.90 (D) £14.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-763-9



RELEASE (EUROPE & UK): JULY 2023
RELEASE (INTERNATIONAL): AUGUST 2023

Make sandcastles, play in the sea, eat ice cream... there's so much to do when you visit the beach!

Down at the beach you can do so many things! You can build sand castles, play paddles or frisbee, go canoeing, jump from rocks, stand up paddle boarding, search for treasures or watch the sunset! *The Beach* is a lovely visual journey for young children, all about the joy of being outside in nature. Let's go on an adventure!



XIMO ABADÍA is a highly acclaimed artist, living and working in Spain. He has illustrated numerous publications including Little Gestalten beloved picture book *Goliath* and his work was selected for the Bologna Children's Illustrators Exhibition in 2017.



WHAT TO EXPECT

→ Colorful and witty illustrations by acclaimed illustrator Ximo Abadía

→ A funny look at the popular leisure destination and all the curious things going on there

→ A subject that anyone can identify with



Fishing for Shapes

by Marcos Farina

Category: Board book
Recommended for: Ages 0 and up
Features: Full color, cardboard, 24 pages, 15 x 15 cm, 6 x 6 inches
Price: €9.90 (D) £8.95 \$12 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-748-6



RELEASE (EUROPE & UK): AUGUST 2023
RELEASE (INTERNATIONAL): SEPTEMBER 2023

WHAT TO EXPECT

- A playful, fun introduction to shapes for young children
- Wonderfully fun and colorful illustrations from Marcos Farina
- Printed on thick cardboard, a durable board book

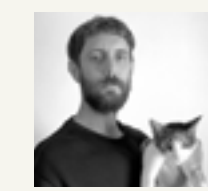


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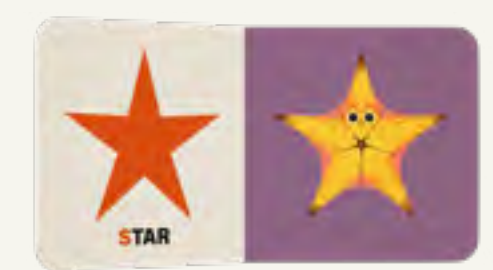
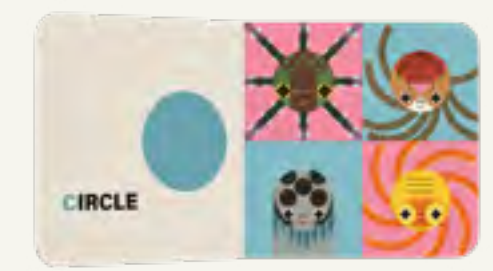
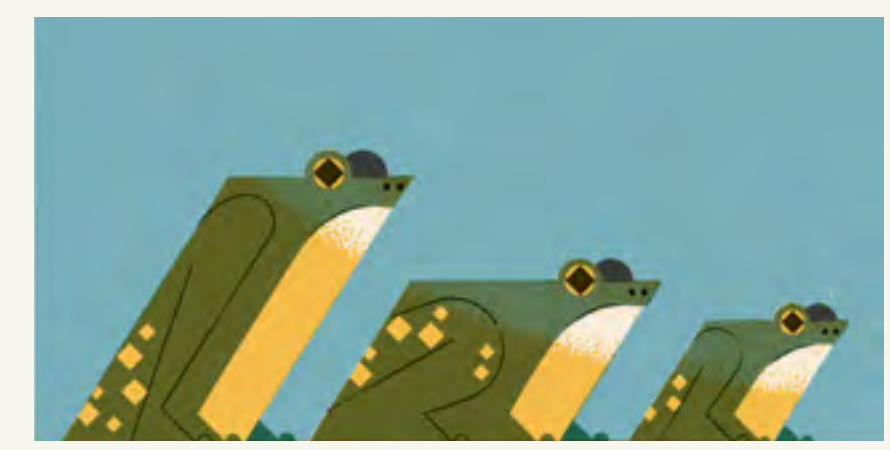
First shapes with fantastic underwater creatures!

Fish, octopus, frogs—what shape are they?!

Our latest collaboration with Marcos Farina and the followup to the much-loved and popular Little Gestalten board books, *The Animal Show* and *How Many Birds?*, *Fishing for Shapes* explores first shapes in Marcos' colorful and fun way—with underwater creatures!



MARCOS FARINA is an Argentinian graphic designer, specializing in handmade printing techniques whose playful illustrative style is rooted in the retro. He studied at the University of Buenos Aires and was a professor at the Faculty of Architecture, Design, and Urbanism for 15 years. He now lives in Madrid with his cat, Sumi, whose alter ego the reader can spot throughout the pages of the beloved Little Gestalten title *You and Me and Everybody Else*.





How Many Birds?

by Marcos Farina

Category: Board book
 Recommended for: Ages 0 and up
 Features: Full color, cardboard, 24 pages, 15×15 cm, 6×6 inches
 Price: €9.90 (D) £8.95 \$12 (US)
 ISBN: 978-3-96704-746-2



The Animal Show

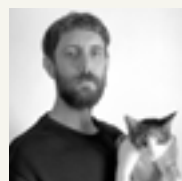
by Marcos Farina

Category: Board book
 Recommended for: Ages 0 and up
 Features: Full color, cardboard, 24 pages, 15×15 cm, 6×6 inches
 Price: €9.90 (D) £8.95 \$12 (US)
 ISBN: 978-3-96704-717-2

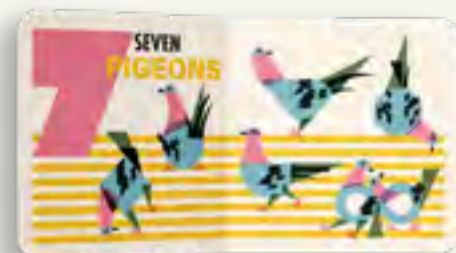
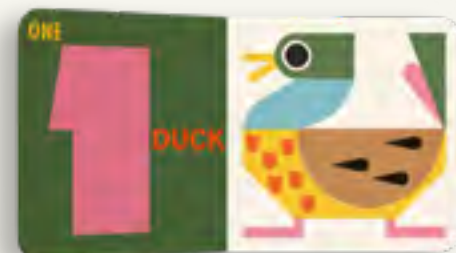


Learn to count from 1 to 10 with beautiful birds!

Chickens, penguins, and parrots—how many are there?!
 The follow-up to the much-loved and popular first Little Gestalten board book *The Animal Show*, *How Many Birds?* explores first numbers in Marcos' colorful and fun way—with birds!



MARCOS FARINA is an Argentine graphic designer and illustrator. He has a bachelor's degree in graphic design from the University of Buenos Aires. He also studied visual arts, specializing in handmade printing techniques. He is professor at the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Urbanism of the Buenos Aires University, where he has taught since 2005. This is his third title with Little Gestalten after *You and Me* and *Everybody else* and *The Animal Show*.



Little Gestalten's first board book brings toddlers joy. This is our debut for fans aged 0–3.

Showcasing animals big and small, from beloved pets to friendly beasts, *The Animal Show* helps develop an awareness of the animal kingdom for very young children. Graphic and bold, the illustrations depict various animals going about their daily activities. Intended to support early development, this visual board book introduces monkeys, bears, owls, sloths, and many other creatures, exercising children's comprehension in a way that is simple, fun, and effective.

The second collaboration with illustrator Marcos Farina, *The Animal Show* directs the Little Gestalten product range towards minds that are very new to the world.





Little Green Fingers

Easy Peasy Gardening Activities

Written by Claire Philip
Illustrated by Aitch

Category: Non-Fiction
Recommended for: Ages 6 and up
Translation: Andreas Bredenfeld
Features: Full color, hardcover, stitch bound
56 pages, 21 x 26 cm, 8 ¼ x 10 ¼ inches
Price: €16.90 (D) £14.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-715-8



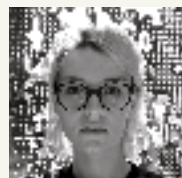
Get your hands dirty! A step-by-step gardening guide for children.

The follow-up to the much-loved *Easy Peasy*, *Little Green Fingers* is packed full of even more fun gardening activities for children. These inspiring, creative, and simple activities are possible whether you have a backyard, a balcony, or even just a windowsill—everyone is welcome to get their hands dirty.

Growing fruits and vegetables, creating fun art projects with nature, learning about the natural world and how plants grow, developing an awareness of the green spaces around us—all this and more can be found in *Little Green Fingers*.



CLAIRE PHILIP is an author and editor who has worked on hundreds of children's books, covering various topics from the natural world. She lives in the beautiful Lake District in England with her husband and their pets.



AITCH is a Romanian artist whose work is rooted in nature, folklore and fantasy. Her daring patterns, bold color, and quirky characters have seen her work across a range of products including wallpapers, playing cards, ceramics, textiles, and books. After illustrating the bestseller *Easy Peasy*, this is her second book with Little Gestalten.



Young Adventurers

Outdoor Activities in Nature

Written by Nate Rae
Illustrated by Caroline Attia

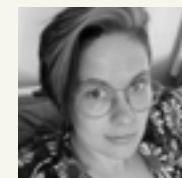
Category: Non-Fiction
Recommended for: Ages 7 and up
Features: Full color, hardcover, stitch bound
56 pages, 24 x 28 cm, 9 ½ x 11 inches
Price: €19.90 (D) £16.95 \$26.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-744-8



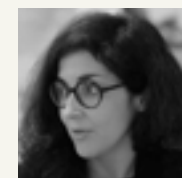
This book jump-starts children to get out of the house, enjoy outdoor activities, and get in touch with nature.

Outdoor activities are fun, exciting, and can be found right around the corner! Get outside and ride a bike, climb a mountain, spot wildlife and go camping. Whether in the local park, your backyard, or amongst the trees in a nature preserve—the great outdoors is the place to be!

Young Adventurers energizes children to get out of the house and enjoy the outdoors, engage with their surroundings, find new friends and gain confidence in important experiences while learning to appreciate the wonders of nature.



NATE RAE is an author, editor, researcher and educator who writes books about almost anything, from dinosaurs to Dungeons and Dragons. When not making books, Nate teaches university-level Psychology, presents neuroscience shows and workshops around the UK, and makes podcasts about role-playing games. Originally from the north of Scotland, Nate now lives in London.



Illustrator and animator **CAROLINE ATTIA** has lent her whimsical style to *ELLE*, *The New York Times*, *Harvard Magazine*, *Pictoplasma*, and other prominent publications. Her film work has earned critical acclaim at the Istanbul Animation Festival and grants from the Centre National Du Cinéma. After *Whatever the Weather* and *The Big Book of Treasures*, this is her third book with Little Gestalten.





Explore the World
Discoveries that Shaped Our World

by Anton Hallmann
Non-Fiction. Ages 7 and up
56 pages, 24 x 28 cm, 9 1/2 x 11 inches
€19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-703-5



Explore the Rainforest
Emma and Louis in the Jungle

by Anne Ameri-Siemens & Anton Hallmann
Non-Fiction. Ages 7 and up
56 pages, 24 x 28 cm, 9 1/2 x 11 inches
€19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-719-6



Penguins and Polar Bears
A Pretty Cool Introduction to the Arctic and Antarctic

by Alicia Klepeis & Grace Helmer
Non-Fiction. Ages 7 and up
56 pages, 24 x 30 cm, 9 1/2 x 11 3/4 inches
€19.90 (D) £16.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-89955-851-7



Let's Play Indoors!

Fun Crafts for Children

Written by Ryan Eyers
Illustrated by Rachel Victoria Hillis

Category: Non-Fiction
Recommended for: Ages 5 and up
Features: Full color, hardcover, stitch bound,
48 pages, 21 x 26 cm, 8 1/4 x 10 1/4 inches
Price: €14.90 (D) £12.95 \$19.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-713-4



Easy Peasy
Gardening for Kids

by Kirsten Bradley & Aitch
Non-Fiction. Ages 5 and up
56 pages, 21 x 26 cm, 8 1/4 x 10 1/4 inches
€16.90 (D) £14.95 \$24.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-89955-824-1



Tasty Treats
Easy Cooking for Children

by Adina Chitu & Elenia Beretta
Craft. Ages 5 and up
56 pages, 21 x 26 cm, 8 1/4 x 10 1/4 inches
€14.90 (D) £12.95 \$19.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-89955-148-8



We Love Pizza
Everything You Want to Know about Your Number One Food

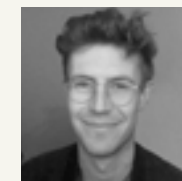
by Elenia Beretta
Non-Fiction. Ages 5 and up
40 pages, 21 x 26 cm, 8 1/4 x 10 1/4 inches
€14.90 (D) £12.95 \$19.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-96704-705-9



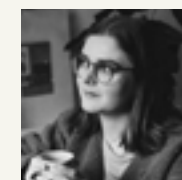
A playful exploration of the great indoors.

This book encourages children to take the lead in deciding how to spend their time and is a perfect companion for rainy days or periods spent offline. With simple instructions on how to make paper masks and hand-dyed clothing as well as tips on how to wow friends and family with a shadow puppet performance, *Let's Play Indoors!* ensures that time spent inside is never wasted.

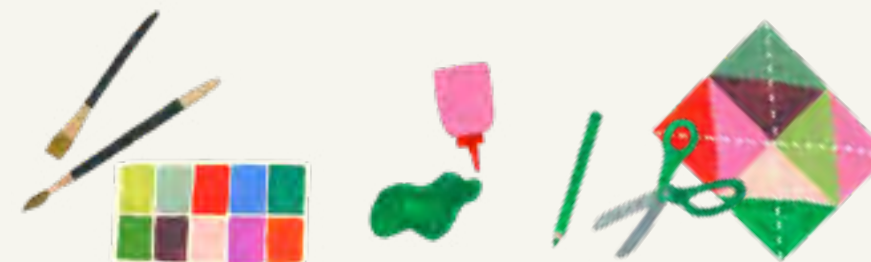
A follow-up to *Easy Peasy*, *Let's Play Outdoors!*, and *Tasty Treats*, this book showcases more than 20 traditional crafts with a modern twist. As well as presenting thoughtful activities that don't need too much adult supervision or intervention.



RYAN EYERS is a writer, translator, editor, and language teacher living in Berlin. He is an experienced creator of children's learning materials, particularly for younger learners of English, whom he has also taught in-person for over a decade. He also really, really loves DIY and craft activities!



British Illustrator **RACHEL VICTORIA HILLIS** grew up in north London, and is now based in Liverpool. She makes botanical-infused illustrations with a playful focus on design, slow-living, and modern gardening. Hillis' appreciation of the natural world is clear throughout her work and she hopes to positively inspire other people to appreciate the world in a similar light.



Let's Play Outdoors!
Exploring Nature for Children

by Catherine Ard & Carla McRae
Non-Fiction. Ages 5 and up
56 pages, 21 x 26 cm, 8 1/4 x 10 1/4 inches
€14.90 (D) £12.95 \$19.95 (US)
ISBN: 978-3-89955-843-2



Whatever the Weather
Learn about Sun, Wind and Rain

by Steve Parker & Jen Metcalf & Caroline Attia
Non-Fiction. Ages 7 and up
56 pages, 24 x 28 cm, 9 1/2 x 11 inches
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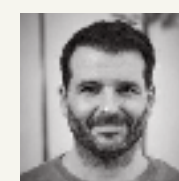
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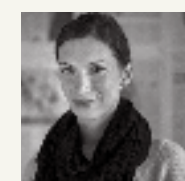
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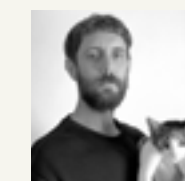
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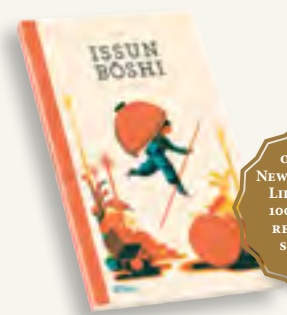


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