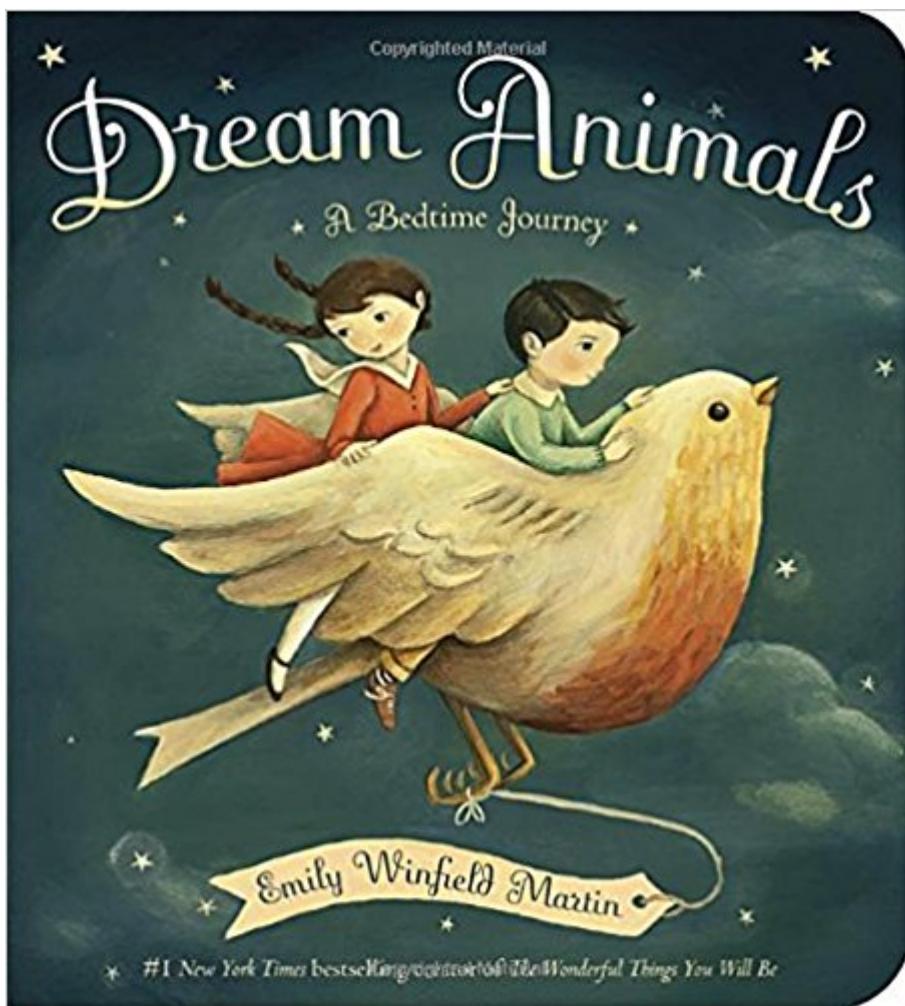


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# Dream Animals: A Bedtime Journey



## Synopsis

From the New York Times bestselling author of *The Wonderful Things You Will Be* is Emily Winfield Martin's little book for little dreamers. Ideal for bedtime reading, this board book will be a hit with sleepy tots! Emily Winfield Martin convinces little ones to close their eyes and discover what their dream animal might be—“a fox? a bear? a narwhal?” and what dream it might take them to. With perfect nighttime rhymes and gorgeous illustrations, this book is irresistible.

## Book Information

Board book: 34 pages

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Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

You only have to close your eyes / And when you snuggle in . . . / You'll be carried to your dream tonight / On wing or paw or fin. As children cuddle up with their special stuffed animal in their cozy beds, dreams come to carry them off on adventures. One boy's bear takes him to bake fabulous pastries to serve to some peculiar fairy tale friends. A girl encircled by fireflies rides a red fox to a magical forest, where she plays the banjo with an elf orchestra hidden in an underground hollow. Whether taking tea with mermaids in pale green waters, flying over a prehistoric world on a winged bicycle, or painting the stars while resting on the moon, these dreams suggest delightful and fantastical experiences. Martin sketches the sleeping children in black-and-white and renders the enchanting scenes of their dreams in vivid color. A sweet and lyrical bedtime story.

Preschool-Kindergarten. --Lolly Gepson --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Silver Winner from NAPPA (National Parenting Publication Awards) The New York Times, November 27, 2013: "A rare, enchanting mixture of graceful rhyming verse and adorable, Hummel-sweet illustrations... Martinâ™s paintings, in rich, creamy opaque colors, have a retro look that recalls early Golden Books, but with more brush-stroke texture. Theyâ™re so nursery-worthy you may be tempted to snip a few out and frame them." Parents Magazine, November 2013: "Enchanting... Little ones won't mind curling up, thanks to the lovely whimsical illustrations." The Atlantic Wire, August 29, 2013: "Tender and dark, this brings to mind the dark and wooded world of classic fairy tales â" but with a refreshingly quirky twist." Kirkus Reviews, August 15, 2013: "These stunning, full-color illustrations rely on polished brush strokes, midnight blue backgrounds and ethereal light to produce an almost surreal atmosphere in which children quietly ride their dream animals to fantastical venues, silently suggesting the infinite possibility of dreams. A visually elegant and textually cadenced bedtime treat." Publishers Weekly, August 12, 2013: "The minimalist ink-sketched bedrooms of each dreamer give way to luxuriant fairy-tale images rendered in dense, subtly radiant colors, which are reminiscent of classic European illustration... Will take firm grip of readersâ™ imaginations as they make their own ways to dreamland." ApartmentTherapy.com, November 20, 2013: "It's a perfect bedtime book as it creates a feeling of security and comfort paired with the endless possibilities for exploration and adventure that dreams bring. The illustrations are rich and sumptuous, yet delicate and ethereal. It's a lovely book, one that you'll want to hold onto for years to come." Metro US, November 20, 2013: "This new bedtime book will lull your little one to sleep with its whimsical rhymes and low-lit illustrations. The book has a slightly vintage-feel, making it an instant classic and your child will be looking forward to his or her own sweet dreams after reading about the ones in the book." Booklist, December 15, 2013: "Whether taking tea with mermaids in pale green waters, flying over a prehistoric world on a winged bicycle, or painting the stars while resting on the moon, these dreams suggest delightful and fantastical experiences. Martin sketches the sleeping children in black and white and renders the enchanting scenes of their dreams in vivid color. A sweet and lyrical bedtime story."

10 stars! By far the best bedtime book we've found, and we have at least 40 on rotation. Very few make it into the top 4 slots that are read nearly every night. So far this book has been requested each night and ONLY this book. We read it 4-5 times and she spends minutes gazing at the incredibly magical artwork on each page. Today she re-created the under-the-sea mermaid tea party dreamscape! (see photo) Emily Martin is our new beloved author and illustrator! My husband is an artist in the film/animation industry (also writer) and he was wowed by her work and in awe. The

ultimate judge though, is our daughter, who is 2 and 4 months. She is an extremely picky bedtime book reader. Some of her favourites include: *Bear Snores On* *Steam Train Dream Train* (close to the top of the list now) *Steam Train, Dream Train* *The Big Red Barn* *The Wonderful Things You Will Be* (by Emily Martin) *The Goodnight Train* *The Goodnight Train* *Goodnight Moon* (no longer in top 4 but was for a year) *Journey* (by Aaron Becker) *Journey* *Bedtime in the Meadow* *Bedtime Lullaby*

We read this to our three month old nearly every night before bed. He loves the illustrations (his eyes get big and he smiles on his favorite pages!) and he also loves the sing-song rhythm of the rhyming text. It's perfect. The author has included details in the images that show off her knowledge of the real biology of animals as well (did you see the mermaid purse in the mermaid tea party?). Great book.

BEAUTIFUL. I love reading this book to my little ones. And the illustrations are so reminiscent of dreams I had in my childhood. Little did I know when I ordered the book that the illustrator is a favorite online artist! Small world. Love that she did this work. Makes it even more special.

I bought this book for my child's Teacher who is about to have her first child- the children are giving her books to start a child's library. This book is the perfect bedtime book- gorgeous, dreamy illustration that even very young children will love, sweet verses, and a not-too-long length :)

....by my new favorite artist. I am not sure how I found this book, came across it one day looking at books here on . I adore children's books that are beautifully illustrated, I collected them before my children were born and have continued to since. We have a wonderful collection, and I tend to prefer older stories, yet this new book stands out as one of the very best. It is simple, it is beautiful, it is a perfect bedtime or anytime story. In it, you see rather plain images of a child sleeping with their beloved stuffed tiger or their bird mobile followed by lovely images of their bedtime animal leading them through their dreams. Children can easily be engaged throughout the simple story, by asking about where their own bedtime friends will take them, and how (and if they are like mine maybe each night they have a different favorite animal!) My children love to look at these pictures and point out what they see and think. For anyone who truly adores the artwork in this book, since discovering it I have found her online and on etsy (she is the best selling artist ever on etsy, and the artwork in this book is available there).

Beautifully illustrated book, my 14 month old loves to look through the board book pages without me worrying it'll rip. These are the kind of books I'd like my child to grow up with and be inspired. We have The Wonderful Things You Will Be and will purchase the Day Dreamers.

My son loves this book and it gets read on average 2 times before bed when it is chosen before bedtime. The illustrations are detailed and colorful. I think it is great for encouraging imagination.

Seriously one of the most beautiful books I've purchased. My 3 year old daughter absolute adores it.

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