

FOG A DOX

A story of courage, acceptance and respect written by an award winning author

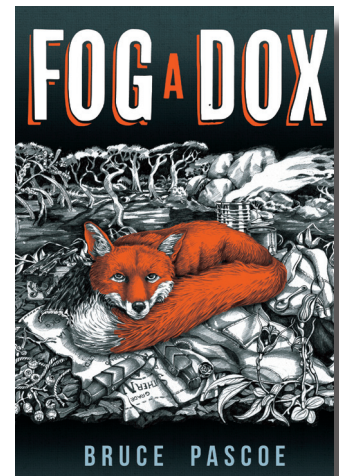
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Albert Cutts is a tree feller. A fella who cuts down trees. Fog is a fox cub raised by a dingo. He's called a dox because people are suspicious of foxes and Albert Cutts owns the dingo and now the dox. Albert is a bushman and lives a remote life surrounded by animals and birds. All goes well until Albert has an accident ...

This is a story of courage, acceptance and respect. It is reminiscent of the gentle story-telling style of Australian author Alan Marshall (I can jump puddles). The dialogue is finely crafted and Indigenous cultural knowledge and awareness are seamlessly integrated into the story.

The story begins:

People will always need wood for their houses, he told the possums, but the possums always needed apples for their mouths and only ever really concentrated when food was involved. In any case they lived in trees and couldn't see the sense in cutting them down. So they just glared at Albert even though the apples were off his tree.

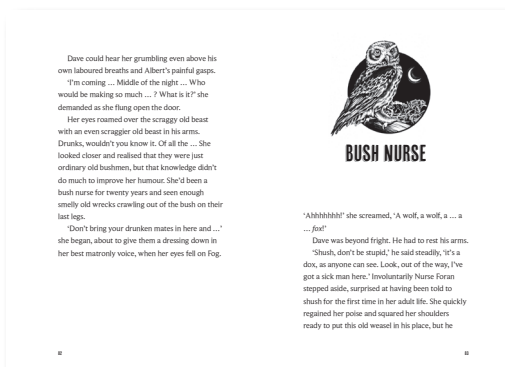


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