

UNICORNS & MOONBOWS

TIMELESS WONDER



"Take me with you. For laughs, for luck, for the unknown.

Take me with you."

PETER S. BEAGLE, *THE LAST UNICORN*

LET'S GO WONDER AT



Victoria Falls
ZAMBIA / ZIMBABWE

There are only two places on earth where moonbows can be spotted on a consistent basis. One of them is at Victoria Falls, known as the greatest curtain of falling water in the world, on the border of Zambia and Zimbabwe. The other place is at Cumberland Falls near Corbin, Kentucky

IMAGINE: UNICORNS

A UNICORN IS A MYTHICAL CREATURE

that is usually portrayed as a majestic white horse with a single horn on its head. Legend has it that unicorns are an antidote to poison and have many other healing powers. They can also purify unclean water.

GREEK HISTORIAN CTESIAS

was the first to write about the unicorn, although not as part of their mythology, but of their historical accounts of nature. He wrote that unicorns were fast and very difficult to capture.

UNICORN SYMBOLS

were used as seals on clay tablets in 3000 BC.

RECORDS FROM EUROPE

depict them as pure white animals, but now they're more commonly known to be a beautiful mix of pastel colors such as blue, purple, and pink.

WONDER: MOONBOWS

A MOONBOW IS A RARE NATURAL PHENOMENON that is also referred to as white rainbow or lunar rainbow.

For its formation, the night sky must be very dark and the moon should be very low in the sky.

The elevation needs to be lower than 42 degrees.

THE BEST TIME TO SEE A MOONBOW

is on full moon nights over waterfalls that fill the air around them with water droplets.

MOONBOWS CAN ONLY BE OBSERVED

two to three hours before or two to three hours after sunset.

COMPARED TO RAINBOWS,

moonbows are much fainter in appearance,

because a smaller amount of light

is reflected from the surface of the moon.



Rediscover Wonder Together

Q: Would you want to befriend a unicorn?

Why or why not?

Q: What would you name a unicorn?

Q: You just found a unicorn horn. What does it look like and what special power does it have?

Q: What would you find at the end of a moonbow?

Q: How are moonbows different from rainbows?

Q: Locate on a map the closest location to your home to view a moonbow.

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