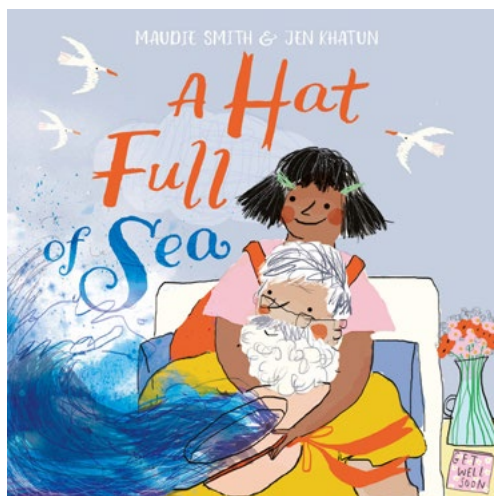


A Hat Full of Sea

Maudie Smith and illustrated by Jen Khatun



One girl's determination to cheer her grandpa up sees her bring his hospital ward to magical life.

- A focus on the power of imagination to help overcome barriers
- A celebration of multigenerational families
- Second picture book from duo, Maudie Smith and Jen Khatun, after their popular first title My Must-Have Mum.

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Maudie Smith writes humorous and touching stories for children aged 2 to 12 including popular title, My Must-Have Mum. She has an MA in Writing for Young People and lives in a village near Bath.

About the book

Grandpa Jim can only see a small square of blue sky from his hospital window so Cora decides there's only one thing for it – she will bring him some sea to go with it!

First, she brings him a hat full of sea. Then she brings him a hat full of countryside. She even brings him the moon, the black velvet night and the shimmering, glimmering stars. She empties them all out onto the hospital bed for her beloved Grandpa Jim to share. Can Cora bring the hospital ward to magical life until her grandpa is ready to go outside and play with her once more?

A heart-warming story about one very special hat. Or should that be one very special girl?

Reviews and endorsements

“The art is as playful as the concept, with images made up of loose lines and filled with solidly bold colors. Grandpa's ailment is not discussed, though his stay is only temporary; children visiting relatives in the hospital will find the tale relatable and reassuring. Tackles a potentially tough topic with a blend of whimsy and warmth.” - Kirkus Review