A Wish To Be A Christmas Tree
This charming tale of an overgrown pine always being passed by for Christmas, and what his woodland friends do to help him, is sure to become a Christmas classic. With delightful illustrations by wildlife artist Michael Monroe and enchanting text from Colleen Monroe, the birds, deer and squirrel of this story help make their special friend’s wish come true.

**Synopsis**

This is the type of Christmas story that makes you remember what Christmas is suppose to be all about. The illustrations in this book are exquisite. The story is all about a tree that gets picked over every year when people come to choose a Christmas tree. The problem is the tree has been there for years and has grown too tall for anyone to use for a Christmas tree. This greatly upsets the tree and he begins to cry. All the forest animals who love the tree for all that he has provided for them see this and decide to do something to make the tree realize how much he is appreciated and loved by them. So when the tree is asleep, they come and decorate the tree in there own version of a Christmas tree. Very nicely done, smooth text, sure to be a Christmas regular once you have read it. The illustrations alone would make this book a wonderful edition to own.

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**Book Information**

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**Customer Reviews**

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home to my two young children. The story tells of a sad tree who so wishes to be a Christmas tree and how his dear friends help him feel proud and special by a simple act of kindness. You will read this book year-round and it will become a favorite Christmas story as it is in our home.

As a former Ohio resident who has lived in Florida for 30 years, I, as all my neighbors, love Christmas, even without the snow. This book is an extension of that love, and everything that is good about Christmas; emotion, caring and love for others. The illustrations are beautiful, but the message is just as important. I read it to my grandchildren and they almost cried, until the end, when they yelled with delight at the perfectly complete and timed ending. This book is now a holiday ritual for our family. I recommend this book to all who love the spirit of Christmas, regardless of religion.

A delightful new book that may rival "'Twas the Night Before Christmas as holiday poetry for the whole family. Every page sparkles with rhyme and the illustrations are a feast for the eyes. The story is simple enough for pre-schoolers enjoy while young readers will be able to read it themselves. If you believe in friendship, kindness and holiday happiness, you’ll enjoy this book.

One of the best Christmas books I have ever read! This book tells about a lonesome tree and how he was bored standing all alone, then friends decorated him and he loved it. It really touched me how they did that. That is true friends. Overall just a great book about Christmas and Friendship!

This is a pretty story to read aloud to your kids at Christmas time. The tree is too big to be a Christmas tree so he sobs and feels sorry for himself. The animals cheer him up by showing him that he means more to them than just being a Christmas tree. It is beautifully illustrated, making the price of it somewhat justified. It is great to see Michigan natives writing/illustrating true to form!

This is my favorite christmas story yet. The illustrations are beautiful and even has a great moral which kids can learn from, esp for the holidays.

I first heard this book while volunteering at my daughter’s preschool. I loved it. The children enjoyed and I enjoyed the meaning of the book. I rushed out to get the book and it's been a favorite all year. You and your family will enjoy this book!

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