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Marshmallow
Synopsis

A bunny’s a delightful habit, No home’s complete without a rabbit. Oliver is a tabby cat who is always the center of attention. Marshmallow is a baby rabbit who moves into Oliver’s home. At first Oliver does not welcome Marshmallow, but the little bunny’s charms are impossible to resist. This is the true story of how Oliver and Marshmallow become friends.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

In an interview my mother explained, “Every word about Oliver and Marshmallow is true, even to the drawing of them wrapped up in each other’s paws. I know people find this hard to believe, but the bunny was so little and was so convinced that Oliver was his mother, what else could Oliver do? Anyway, we disproved the ancient belief that felines are always at sword’s points with rodents, because this cat and bunny were the best of friends.” Adult readers who had MARSHMALLOW as children may be pleased to know that Smithmark used my mother’s original cover artwork (which survived for 56 years, 30 in my closets) for this reissue. And my thanks to the many warm emails of those same grownups anxiously awaiting this new publication of MARSHMALLOW. Felicia Noelle Trujillo

This book has supposedly been reprinted from the original. I saw no indication that this was abridged. However, I compared it to my older copy, and MANY of the wonderful descriptions have
been left out. If you can find an older copyright, get it!

I am in my mid-fifties, and I consider my copy of Marshmallow to be one of my most treasured items. My first recollection as a child is that I especially loved the drawings and the poems. My present review is that I especially love the drawings, the poems, the descriptive vocabulary (you can almost hear the bunny go lippity, lippity around the apartment), and the simple nature teachings subtly worked into the story. I often mention the book to people who show any interest in rabbits, cats, or excellent books for children,

I love this book! Children are captivated by the simple familiar characters so clearly described. The story line is sweet and well written, NOT "dumbed down". There are lots of words on most pages and it takes more than a minute to read which is so helpful in developing attention span. My three year old was taken in completely! (Not to mention my seven year old!)

Last year when my daughter was in kindergarten, she would check out an old, worn out copy of this book over and over again from the library at her school. I was surprised that with all the new, fancy, colorful books available, she kept going back to this one. Now she is in first grade and lo and behold, she's bringing it home again. On a whim I thought I'd check and see if it's available to buy, not thinking it would still be in print. I am so excited that it's for sale! I bought it and can't wait to present my little girl with her very own NEW Marshmallow book!

"Marshmallow" is a classic. It was written in 1942 and it's still one of the best picture books ever put out for the first reader. I was absolutely enchanted by it when I read it a few years ago. Anyone who's ever had a cat and a rabbit in the same house will recognize the annoyed attitude of the feline as the bunny INSISTS on being the cat's friend (or the cat's baby!). I got it for one of my nieces; she loved it. The illustrations are simple and beautifully drawn, so they never became "dated", the way some old picture books did. If you have a little one anywhere from 4 to 6, this picture book is ideal for them, to read themselves or to be read to.

When my Mother first wrote MARSHMALLOWS, many people could not believe that an older bachelor cat (Oliver) would really adopt a baby bunny as his own, well, kitten. Because cats and rabbits were considered arch enemies, this story holds lessons for children on many levels, as well as featuring wonderful drawings from life of Oliver and his bunny, Marshmallow. Just as one of my
Mom's verses reports: A bunny's a delightful habit. No home's complete without a rabbit.

Although my children are now grown, "Marshmallow" was their favorite book. We almost wore the library copy out and we later named our sweet white bunny, Marshmallow. The artwork is beautiful and engaging as well as the story line. So glad it will be re-published soon!! A "must buy" for my grandchildren.

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