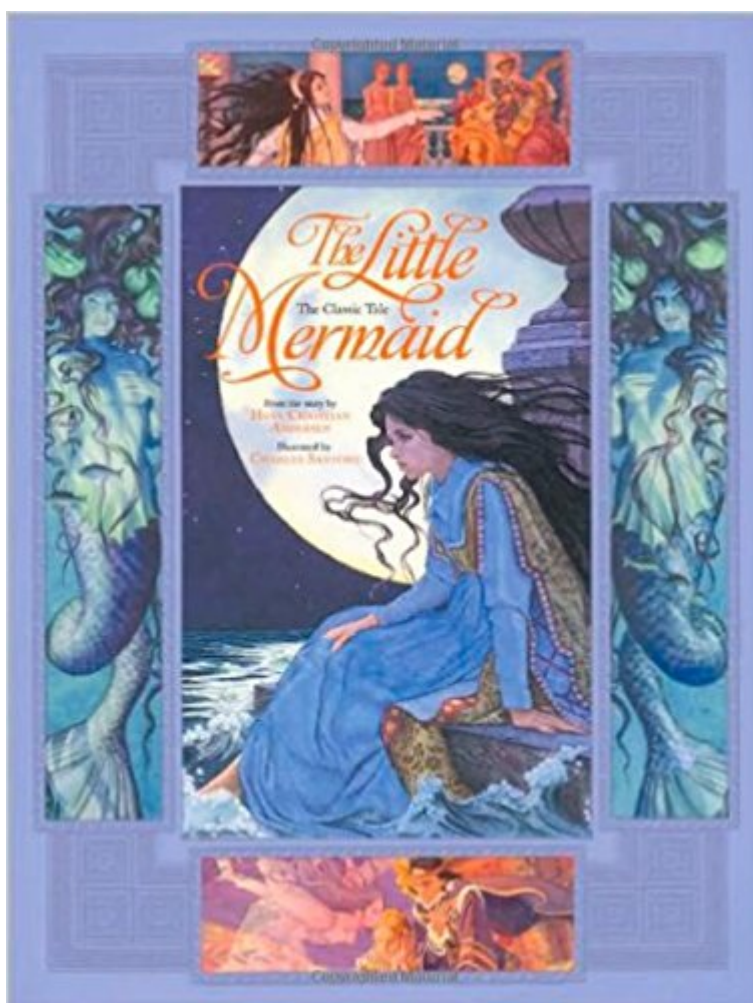


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The Little Mermaid: From The Story By Hans Christian Andersen (Classic Tales (Running Press Kids))



Synopsis

The story of The Little Mermaid has been captivating young and old readers alike since its first publication in 1837. This edition, with beautiful, enticing images by acclaimed illustrator Charles Santore, elegantly retells of the young mermaid princess's adventure; one full of love, hope, and sacrifice. From her home deep beneath the sea to her desired life on the surface with a handsome young prince, the little mermaid's beloved tale will enchant every reader to unlock dreams in their own heart, and pass on this cherished book generation after generation.

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Customer Reviews

Hans Christian Andersen (1805-1875) was born in Denmark and is famously known for his fairy tales, such as The Snow Queen, The Ugly Duckling, The Emperor's New Clothes, The Little Mermaid, and many more. His first fairy tales were published in 1835. He has delighted generations of children worldwide ever since. Charles Santore is a nationally acclaimed illustrator whose works appear regularly in magazines. He is a recipient of the Society of Illustrators' Award of Excellence, the Hamilton King Award, and the Alumni Award of the Philadelphia College of Art. His works are in the collections of the Museum of Modern Art, the U.S. Department of the Interior, the Free Library of Philadelphia, and in many private collections. He lives in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

If you have a child who enjoys fairytales and stories, then this is the book for them! Great also for older children, I enjoyed this! And everyone will fall in love with the beautiful illustrations and the classic Hans Christian Andersen's story, children to teens to even adults. This is a must have book for everyone out there. Though I people had some concerns while reading it. Some art may be deemed a bit graphic for parents concerned about their children but I believe that I deemed nothing inappropriate about this. Yes they show the shape of breasts, but really. It is not that noticeable with the hair covering it and the beautiful colors and pictures. Also, you get caught up in the book and the serene pictures, that you don't notice it. And let's be real people, if mermaids were real, they realistically wouldn't have seashell bras (ahem, Ariel). Other than that, the story was very truthful to the Hans Christian Andersen story, but a bit of details were taken out. I noticed it because I usually read the story 3 times a week... It was just cut. But it was still good. Also, this book was simplified but still upstained Hans Christian Andersen's classic story. Another thing is, not to this story is NOT like the Disney version. So if you had that in mind, then you may not want this. If you want to get introduced to the original story then read it and love it! This book is LONG! If you want a short story do not read this! I wanted a longer story so I enjoyed this. A lot. Last, the ending is bittersweet. Keep that in mind... Anyway. You will enjoy this book and I believe all age groups will fall in love with this!

This was one of my first books as a child. I can honestly say that my career as an artist today is attributed entirely to my love of these illustrations and my early years spent trying to draw mermaids the way Charles Santore did in this book. Unfortunately, I lost my original copy in one of my many moves after college. I can't express how happy I am to have found this on and to now have a copy of this back on my shelf, ready to share with my future children. Perfect condition, fast shipping- I won't be letting this copy out of my sight :) thank you!

I remember a long time ago while I was in elementary school my little sister brought this book home from the school library. We were both enchanted by the gorgeous art work and the classic tale of the little mermaid. This book has always been lingering in the back of my mind and I've tried to find it at stores but never could. One day while searching through books on I came across it, my long lost favorite book! I bought it for 14 cents plus there was a \$2 shipping price, what a great deal. I love this book even more now that I am older and I plan on reading this to my kids someday.

I purchased this book because I love Charles Santore's illustrations. This book does not disappoint.

The illustrations are amazing! My daughter keeps taking it to her room to look through the pages. The story is a little different from the Disney version, it is better and true to the original. This is one of my favorite books I have collected.

I absolutely loved this book, the illustrations were definitely captivating. As a child growing up (approx age 8) this book raised several questions about love, self-sacrifice....things that I was not aware of at a young age. Despite initially feeling confused, I have grown to appreciate the story. It is a unique tale that didn't have that 'Disney-Happy-Ending', but at the same time, left an imprint in your heart.

A Hans Christian Andersen story does not really need a review. As one would expect, the book is way better than the Disney movie. But I did feel that the illustrations in this book needed to be mentioned. There is a lot of nudity in this book considering it is meant for children. I would not go so far as to call it distasteful, but if you are careful in allowing such things in your home, you will want to take a look before making an online purchase. Some would consider the illustrations risqué, while others will find them quite beautiful.

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