

Where is Bejou?



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About the Book

Surrounded by optimistic friends and acquaintances, a frantic girl is looking for her lost dog, and begins to grasp an understanding of love and loss, and their eternal effect on her life. *Where is Bejou?* is a light-hearted story emphasizing happiness and finding gratitude for having loved ones and for accepting our fate.

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Awards & Reviews



"We are happy to award deserving books like Where is Bejou?," said Dawn Matheson, CEO, Mom's Choice Awards. "Our panel of judges really felt this book merited a place on our list of the best in family-friendly products that parents and educators can feel confident in using."

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What People Are Saying

Erin Nicole Cochran Reader's Favorite

Shublak was able to really find a way to make the passing of a loved one feel beautiful and not an ending, but more like a "see you again, when it's your time." I wish I had had this book when I was a child.



Cheryl E. Rodriguez Reader's Favorite

Hiba Shublak pens a captivating and compassionate children's story in Where is Bejou? Touching the hearts of young and old alike, Where is Bejou? is easy to read and understand.



Sherri Fulmer Moorer Reader's Favorite

An excellent picture book that will help children understand loss in life, and even remind adults of timeless lessons that will carry them through to brighter tomorrows.



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Q&A with the Author

Q: What is the book about?

A: *Where is Bejou?* is a book about paying attention to signs from nature, being okay with letting go, and mostly about being grateful for what you have. I wrote this story after experiencing loss in my lifetime with hope of inspiring others to be grateful for having loved ones, and for the positive marks they leave on our lives.

Q: Why did you write this book?

A: My inspiration to write this book came when my very first dog grew ill and I knew my time with her was limited. I wanted to continue her legacy through a special story with the hope of inspiring others to be grateful for having loved ones, and for the positive marks they leave in our lives. Writing *Where is Bejou?* helped me cope with the loss of her and for other losses I have experienced in my life.

Q: What kinds of readers is the book intended for?

A: *Where is Bejou?* is a picture book for children ages 4 and up. This book however, holds a crossover appeal for older audiences and to anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one, and animal lovers of all ages. as gift shops, pet stores, large corporate stores like Target and Walmart, and online outlets.

Q: How do the pictures help tell the story?

A: The characters in the book were all Bejou's favorite toys. During our daily walks, Bejou and I, always came across beautiful flowers and cute bugs. Our attention to nature helped us appreciate the beauty in life. The illustrations are simple, yet artistic and the bright colors are perfect for giving the book a happy feel while also serving to keep the interest of young children. The pictures in the book show the "mark" Bejou has left on every character: happiness, feeling special, being grateful, and most of all, the love between the little girl and her beloved dog.

Q: If you could ensure readers of your book walk away with one main lesson, what would it be?

A: *Where is Bejou?* is within the context of positive social emotional development around grief and loss. This light-hearted story emphasizes happiness and finding gratitude for having loved ones and for accepting our fate.