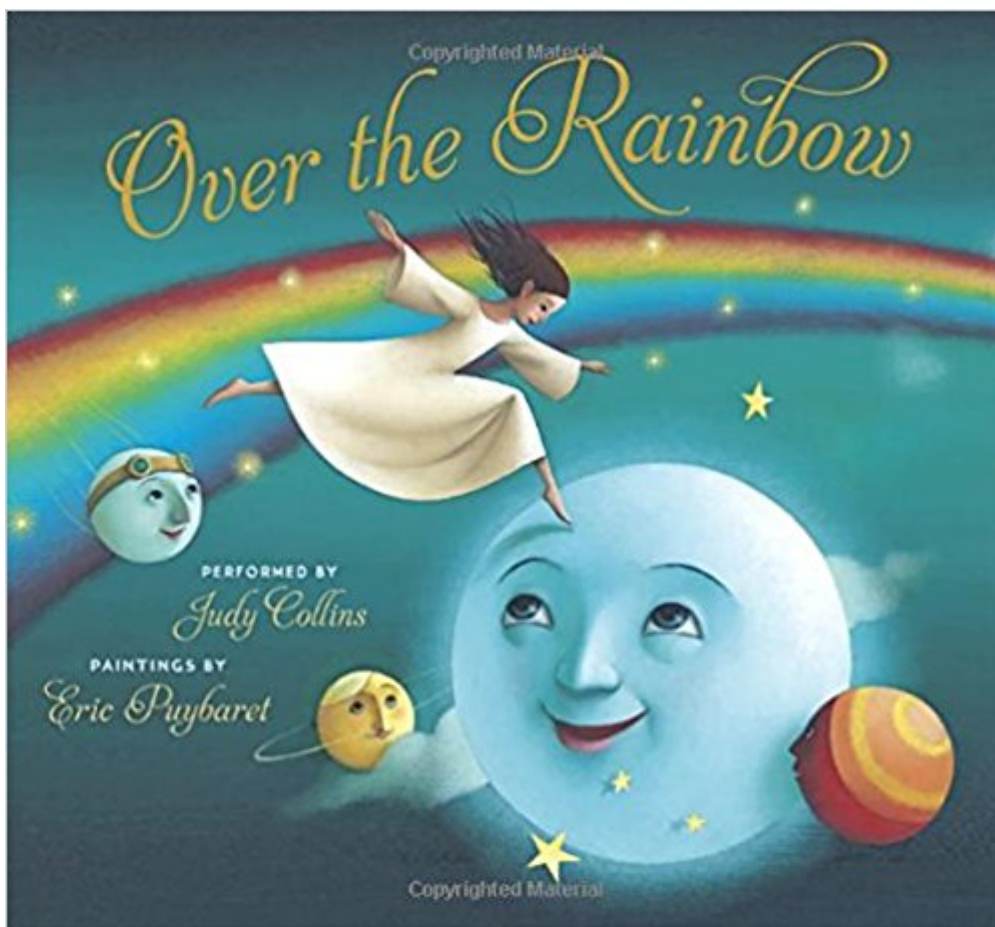


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# Over The Rainbow (Book & Audio CD) (Book & CD)



## Synopsis

In this unique offering of a book and CD recorded by Judy Collins, take a magical journey over the rainbow...This classic song has been transformed into a magnificent picture book and CD set. Breathtaking and magical artwork by Eric Puybaret--who painted the critically-acclaimed illustrations that helped turn PUFF, THE MAGIC DRAGON into a blockbuster bestseller--will carry young readers from a little red farmhouse up over the rainbow, into the sky where bluebirds fly and castles rise high in the clouds, and beyond. The extraordinary soundtrack for this book is performed by Judy Collins, who has recorded what might be the very best version of "Over the Rainbow" ever sung. The winner of a Grammy Award, Collins' glorious voice is one of the most admired of the 20th and 21st centuries. Her version of this classic will delight and touch the heart of every parent and child who listens. As an added bonus, the enclosed CD also contains two delightful additional songs recorded by Judy Collins: "White Choral Bells" and "I See the Moon."

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 9 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 4

## Customer Reviews

Grade 1  
A musical classic inspires the creation of new images of sweeping horizons and fanciful creatures. The book includes a CD by singer Judy Collins. Her crystal-clear voice floats seamlessly through the lyrics, first as a solo, then joined by her piano accompaniment,

broadening with succeeding lines and natural rhythmic interpretation of the words. Two additional songs interpreted by Collins make this brief CD a treasure – "I See the Moon" (with children's chorus) and "White Coral Bells." Readers are treated to deep jewel tones as Puybaret carefully pulls them from one image to another with a succession of dreamlike scenes – from a red barn and farmhouse to animated castles in the sky. Clouds and celestial objects float earthward to join a young girl on a journey beyond a rainbow into the upper atmosphere with dreams of impossibilities. The art is unique, delicate, and detailed. Raindrops fall with whisper-thin lines, elongated figures accentuate the hurried action and sweep of the wind, images appear in the clouds, a small child sleeps under the watchful eye of a parent amid musical notes along the path of the rainbow, and bluebirds become elongated creatures of grace. Reading this book with the CD requires awareness of traditionally repeated lines but adds to the shared experience. – Mary Elam, Learning Media Services Plano ISD, TX Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

Composer Harold Arlen and lyricist E.Y. Harburg were two of Broadway and Hollywood's most popular songwriters. They wrote the songs for the classic film *The Wizard of Oz*, for which they won an Academy Award®. Judy Collins has thrilled audiences worldwide for nearly five decades with her magnificent voice and thoughtful interpretations. Many of Collins's albums have been certified platinum and her version of Joni Mitchell's "Both Sides Now" has been entered into the Grammy Hall of Fame. Her rendition of Stephen Sondheim's "Send in the Clowns" won Grammy Song of the Year in 1975. Judy's film about Antonia Brico, co-directed by Jill Godmillow, was nominated for an Academy Award in 1974. Brico was Judy's classical piano teacher when she was young and was the first woman to conduct major symphonies around the world. In 2000, Judy founded her own record label, Wildflower Records. In 2010 she enjoyed two huge successes with the New York Times best-selling picture books and CD version of *OVER THE RAINBOW*, illustrated by Eric Puybaret, and her latest album, *Paradise*, a collection of ten songs, including duets with Stephen Stills and Joan Baez.

The illustrations in this book are beautiful. My students love to look as they listen.

We checked this book out of the library about two weeks ago, so we didn't listen to the CD. Instead, I just sang the text to my six-year-old son. The next morning, my son, without the book, starting making his own illustrations for *Over the Rainbow*. That was when I ordered him his own copy of

this book. I am so in love with Eric Puybaret's gorgeous and whimsical illustrations -- I'm pretty sure that before long we will end up owning every book he has illustrated.

My little one loves to listen to this relaxing, lovely set of songs as she falls asleep in the car.

We learned about this book in a sound beginnings music class for kids under 4 years old. The class has a soundtrack for the book's narration/song that sings the words to you as you turn the pages. The illustrations create gorgeous imagery. We now use it every night at bed time and I hope it creates a great family tradition/memory for our home. It is slightly disappointing that the CD that came with it doesn't match the narration exactly but the idea was great.

Charming artwork brings the lyrics alive for young children. Delightful! CD is heartwarming with Judy Collins singing...

The illustrations are beautiful! This is one of my favorite books that we own. My daughter loves to describe the abstract scenes out loud. The recording is beautiful as well.

I love the illustrations. I love that I have my students listen to the song while having something visual to focus on.

The graphics in this book are beautiful. Only downside is I wish it was smaller and I personally cannot stand dust covers on books. Doesn't make for user friendly reading

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