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ABOUT THE BOOK

'Come on, let's take a good look aorund. Are there really lions to be found?' Rumours abound of ex-circus cats roaming wild in the hills. But are the stories true? Join in the search, and discover lots of different animals in the Australian bush along the way.

Written by award-winning author/illustrator Moira Court, in this picture book readers search among the native Australian flora for hidden animals including a feral Lion, a Bobtail lizard, a Dugite, a Redcap parrot, a Kangaroo, an Echinda, a Goanna and a Quenda.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Moira Court grew up in the West Country, England. She emigrated to Australia in 2001 and now lives in the Perth Hills with her husband, daughter and fur children. An artist and illustrator, she predominantly works in printmaking and likes to chop up the failures to use for collaging. Her work is inspired by nature, conservation, folklore and folk art.

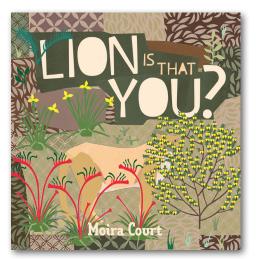
KEY POINTS

- Moira's distinctive illustrations are created by hand using layered woodblock prints, screen-prints and collage. She is one of only a handful of artists who work this way.
- Moira's previous books are *My Superhero, Colour Me, Miss Llewellyn-Jones Goes to Town, Antarctica* and *At the Dog Park.*
- Her work has been shortlisted for the Western Australian Premier's Book Awards and was a CBCA Notable Book. She was shortlisted for the CBCA Crichton Award for New Illustrators in 2009.

PRAISE FOR THE AUTHOR

'This picture book by artist and author Moira Court has a distinctive visual style that makes it stand out from other books for readers aged three to five ... each double page spread features stunning collage, block print and woodcut artworks.' *Junior Books+Publishing*

'Young children will enjoy practicing their counting skills while learning more about an area of the world that captures the imagination.' *Kirkus Reviews*



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