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The Boab Tree

by HELEN MILROY

ABOUT THE BOOK

Little Boab is lost and far, far from home. Surrounded by tall, unfriendly trees, he feels all alone. But the friendship of some of the small forest dwellers gives him hope. With a little luck, some canny planning and the help of his new friends, Boab might just find his way back to country. Award-winning, bestselling Indigenous creator Helen Milroy is a master storyteller and her vibrant digital artwork captures the colours of country.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Helen Milroy AM is a descendant of the Palyku people of the Pilbara region of Western Australia. She was born and educated in Perth. Helen has always had a passionate interest in health and wellbeing, especially for children. Helen studied medicine at the University of Western Australia. She is currently a professor at UWA, Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, Board Member with Beyond Blue and the AFL's first Indigenous Commissioner.



NOTES

- Helen's previous books have been shortlisted for the Western Australian Premier's Book Awards (2019, 2020), the Readings Children's Book Prize (2020), the Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Awards (2020, 2021, 2022) and the Children's Book Council of Australia Early Childhood Book of the Year Notable Book (2023).
- Professor Milroy was the WA 2021 Australian of the Year and was joint winner of the 2020 Australian Mental Health Prize.
- This is the eighth book by Helen to be published by Fremantle Press. Her other titles include *Bush Bugs* (2024), *Bush Birds* (2023), *Crow Baby* (2023), *Owl and Star* (2022), *Backyard Beasties* (2022), *Backyard Bugs* (2021), *Backyard Birds* (2020), and *Wombat, Mudlark and Other Stories* (2019). Her books have been reprinted several times with tens of thousands of copies sold over the last four years.

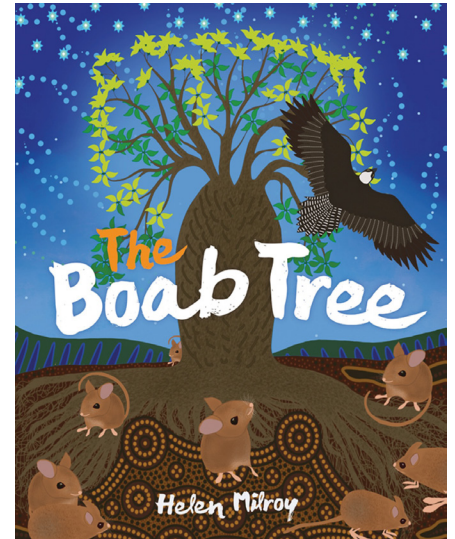
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'A delight to look at and talk about and your littlies will love it.'
Good Reading Magazine

'This enchanting First Nations story is a perfect night-time read.'
Indigenous Literacy Foundation

'Young readers will adore this magnificent tale.'
Reading Time

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