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Editorial Review

From School Library Journal

Gr 3–5—This moving story quickly pulls in readers as they meet Inge Maria, a young girl traveling from her beloved Copenhagen to a small island village to live with her seemingly stern grandmother. Inge Maria adjusts to her new living situation, but instead of falling into the mundane life of Bornholm, she instead begins infusing the sleepy town and its people with a new sense of life and mischief that was sorely missing. Laughter begins to take hold of the community as the young girl with such lively spirit defies her stern teacher, who believes girls shouldn't be rowdy or expressive, and befriends the rowdiest kids around. Inge Maria and her grandmother, Dizzy, grow together and learn how to move forward as a new kind of family, and the book conveys a soft and warming message that even in sadness, you don't have to lose yourself. The theme of loss is subtle, though the narrative touches on the deeper questions that arise in the aftermath of the death of a parent and the subsequent pain and changes that follow. VERDICT A truly touching story that belongs in most middle grade collections.—Ashley Prior, Lincoln Public Library, RI

Review

Kirkus Best of 2016

Raleigh News & Observer Best of 2016

BookPage Best of 2016

* "Readers can only hope for more of [Inge Maria Jensen's] happy mischief and genuine heart."

—***Publishers Weekly* STARRED review**

* "This heartwarming and richly engaging tale explores grief and the sustaining support of humor with an abundance of love."

—***Kirkus* STARRED review**

* "A yarn too good to pass up."

—***Booklist* STARRED review**

"With both a judicious amount to cry at and much to delight in, this book will satisfy lovers of orphan stories and good-natured mischief makers alike."

—***Bulletin***

"A truly touching story."

—***School Library Journal***

"Fans of Pippi Longstocking will devour this hilarious debut novel, featuring an energetic 10-year-old who invigorates an isolated Danish town."

—***Shelf Awareness***

About the Author

Katrina Nannestad grew up in central-western NSW. After studying arts and education at the University of New England in Armidale, she worked as a primary school teacher. Her first teaching job was at a tiny two-teacher school in the bush. Katrina now lives near Bendigo with her husband and two sons.

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