

The CAPTAIN'S CAT AND THE STARS OF THE SEA

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Illustrated by Isabella Gagliano

**THEIA IS THE CAPTAIN'S CAT WHO KEEPS WATCH
OVER THE SHIP AS IT TRAVELS THE WORLD.**

Like a sentinel, she sits on the deck each night and looks out to sea. She watches beautiful twinkling stars appear in the night sky and she also sees stars shining in the sea, leaving Theia to wonder at how this could be.

Determined to solve the mystery of the sea stars, Theia must turn to her sea friends for the hidden answers.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Currently residing in Tropical North Queensland, Chele has been involved extensively in wildlife rescue and rehabilitation.

She is very passionate about maintaining the health of the Rainforest and the Great Barrier Reef. Whilst previously living in Los Angeles, California, Chele studied Marine Biology and volunteered at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, where she helped to educate children from Greater Los Angeles on the importance of the ocean.

She was also responsible for writing the protocol and successfully raising the State Fish of California – The Garibaldi.

Her desire is to educate children on the importance of our global ecosystems, in a fun and entertaining way whilst at the same time raising awareness on important environmental issues.



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A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR

WHY DID YOU WRITE 'THE CAPTAIN'S CAT AND THE STARS OF THE SEA'? WHAT WERE YOUR INSPIRATIONS?

I wrote this book because of my love of the ocean, nature, and the ecosystem. I believe we inherit the planet from our children and I truly believe the only way we can change our current global trajectory is to educate our future generations. I was drawn to this story because of my love and fascination of the ocean. I decided on my characters because I believed I could use them to be the vehicle of my message.

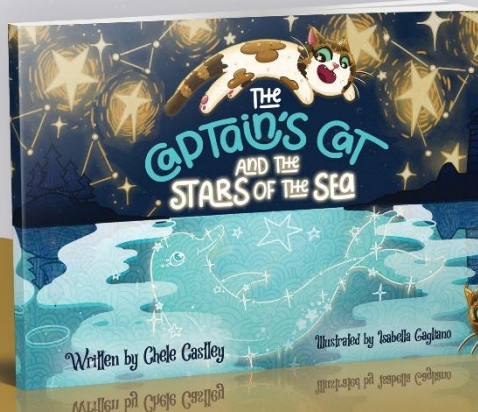
WHAT IS THE IMPORTANCE OF WRITING FOR YOU?

I think people forget actions, but never forget words and how they make you feel. I would look at my writing as a success if the children who read the book were able to take meaning from it and use it to equip themselves to change the future.

I have previously read my stories to children in grades two to six, and so far they have loved hearing about the Captain's Cat. I received pictures from some of the students after they were read the story.

"A wondrous story with great illustrations and imagination for all to enjoy..."

- Latiecha, Indie Book reviewer



★★★★★
5 Stars



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