## Welcome Home

Written by Silvia Barragues - Illustrated by Christina Miesen



Follow along as Matilda's trip to the park brings about a surprising new addition to the family.

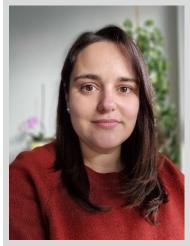
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#### **ABOUT THE AUTHOR**



Silvia is originally from Spain and came to Australia in 2013 to study English. The friendliness in people, relaxed lifestyle and stunning beaches made her fall in love with the country.

Silvia decided to pursue a career in education and has been working for years now as a kindergarten teacher where her students enjoy the many stories she tells every day.

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### A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR

## WHY DID YOU WRITE 'WELCOME HOME'? WHAT WERE YOUR INSPIRATIONS?

The pandemic inspired me, I guess. The isolation during lockdowns has taken many people into dark places. During these odd, crazy times, we need to remind ourselves to be gentle and caring between each other.

#### WHEN DID YOU FIRST REALISE YOU WANTED TO WRITE?

I have a memory of going into my mum's studio (before my brother was born and it became his bedroom). I remember touching her typewriter and opening a very thick book next to it. I knew there were letters and I remember a tingly feeling of excitement and thinking, 'One day I will be able to read and write all these words'.

### WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO DO WHEN YOU'RE NOT WRITING?

I don't have much time left between work and studies but I do enjoy going to the theatre, listening to music, watching a movie or just walking with my partner. When the international borders open I will add travelling to my list again!



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