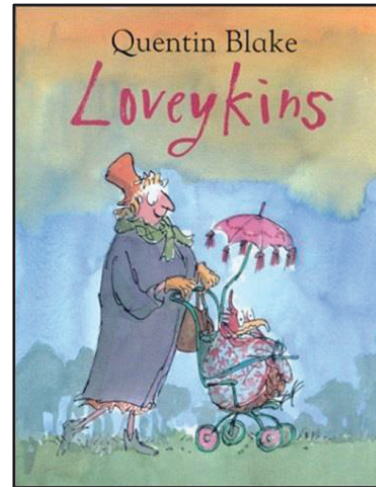


LOVEYKINS	
Author / Illustrator:	ISBN – 13:
Quentin Blake	9781561457601
Retail Price:	Pub Date:
\$7.95	09/16
BISAC Codes:	
JUV002040 JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Birds JUV013090 JUVENILE FICTION / Family / Alternative Family JUV039060 JUVENILE FICTION / Social Themes / Friendship	
Category / Format / illustrations:	Trim size:
Picture book / PB	8 ¹ / ₈ x 10 ¹ / ₂
Page count:	Age Range /Grade Range:
32 pages	Ages 4-8 / 2+
Territory:	Rights:
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Sales Handle:

When Angela Bowling rescues a baby bird after a storm, she finds her very own Loveykins.

Description:

Following a blustery night, Angela Bowling finds a baby bird blown out of his nest. Her sense of duty compels her to wrap him up carefully in her scarf and take him home. She names him Augustus and he quickly becomes more to her than just a bird to be looked after. He's her little Loveykins. She stuffs him with gourmet foods like creamed carrots and chocolate éclairs. She wraps him tightly in shawls and fine sweaters so he won't catch cold, and parades him around town in a fancy stroller, taking care to protect him from the rain and the sun. Augustus is growing larger and rounder and soon requires a special garden shed to house him. He seems content enough...until another night brings great gales of wind and Augustus is blown free of the blankets and sweaters and garden shed. What will happen now, when Augustus takes off into the air and realizes the view is a good deal different—and more satisfying—from up above?

Selling Points:

- Quentin Blake was the **FIRST CHILDREN'S LAUREATE** of the United Kingdom, made famous by his illustrations of **ROALD DAHL's** beloved books
- **APPEALINGLY OFFBEAT**, this droll tale about the relationship between an unconventional woman and a young bird is **CLASSIC QUENTIN BLAKE**
- Blake's **QUIRKY, HUMOROUS WATERCOLORS** inspire affection and sympathy
- **CHARMING AND SENSITIVE** treatment of the issue of **STIFLING LOVE**
- Deadpan humor and British flair land this story at the **INTERSECTION OF ECCENTRIC AND ENDEARING**

Author Bio and Residence:

QUENTIN BLAKE is a best-selling illustrator and author-illustrator of more than one hundred books and the recipient of numerous awards, including the Kate Greenaway Medal and a Bologna Ragazzi Award. In 1999, Blake was named the first Children's Laureate of the United Kingdom.

Sales Comps:

Title	ISBN	Publisher	Pub date	Price
<i>Those Darn Squirrels!</i>	9780547576817	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	9/6/2011	\$6.99
<i>Arabel's Raven</i>	9780152060947	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	9/1/2007	\$11.95
<i>Loveykins HC</i>	9781561452828	Peachtree	3/1/2003	\$15.95

Author's previous books:

Title	ISBN	Publisher	Pub date	Price
<i>Loveykins HC</i>	9781561452828	Peachtree	3/1/2003	\$15.95
<i>Mrs. Armitage, Queen of the Road</i>	9781561452873	Peachtree	8/1/2003	\$15.95
<i>Dirty Beasts</i>	9780142302279	Puffin Books	2/14/2002	\$7.99

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