



Twig's Christmas Dream

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Virginia Author Releases New Children's Picture Book About a Little Christmas Tree Named Twig

Paws and Claws Publishing author Cindy Hollingsworth wrote this heartfelt rhyming book that details Twig's experiences as he endeavors to become a real Christmas tree. The thought-provoking tale will make you feel like visiting a Christmas-tree lot to see any tiny, lonely trees there. Cindy wrote in the introduction that awkward, scrawny trees on tree lots or in stores always made her feel sad. She wanted to take them home, because she thought no one else would. This is Cindy's 8th children's book and her 1st Christmas book.

GREENSBORO, NC—NOVEMBER 14, 2018—Twig was delivered to a tree lot on a truck. Along with bigger trees and other Christmas things, he was hauled off the truck. But the tree lot's owner said he was too little and would end up as firewood.

The big trees were all displayed at the front of the lot under the lights. Poor little Twig was in a lonely back corner of the lot in the dark near a shed.

One particularly cold night, Twig's tears trickled down his branches. They froze all around him. That was the moment when Johnny's mom saw Twig all glistening and bright in the light of the moon. She called her son, who came running. He knew immediately that Twig was the Christmas tree meant for him.

Twig rode home on the top of their car, gazing at the stars and dreaming about his coming decorations. Johnny decorated Twig in his room. Though the first star atop Twig was too large, the next one was just the right size. Twig knew he had become "a Christmas tree at its best." Johnny and Twig were thrilled that they'd both gotten their Christmas dreams after all.

The rhyming text and Christmasy artwork in this book portray the hopeful, ever-changing ups and downs of Twig's tale as he pursues his dream of becoming a *real* Christmas tree.

Twig's Christmas Dream is a memorable, timeless, endearing picture book for children. Readers will be feeling all the emotions Twig felt all alone by that shed in the dark at the back of the tree lot. They'll rejoice with Twig as he's chosen to be Johnny's tree, travels to his new home, and gets decorated by his new owner and friend. At the end of the story, they'll smile when they hear, "Just remember that to someone, you may be the best gift of all."

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