

LORGNETTE

Quarterly Review of Children's and Young Adults' Books

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Book Review: STUPENDOUSLY SAMSON

Evie, Maddie, and their parents move to Horsetail Hollow. There is a wishing well on the farm that has granted their wishes to meet fairy tale horses and their princesses. Evie and Maddie are the only ones who can help the horses get home. Lately, the wishing well has been quiet. The girls are wondering if their wishes have been used up.

When Prince Phillip's horse, Samson, appears with three fairy godmothers, the two friends know that something is wrong with the Sleeping Beauty story. Everyone around them starts to fall asleep. To help fix the fairy tale, the friends must go with Samson to save their world. They must convince the group to return to the fairy tale.

The characters are likable and draw the reader into the story. The illustrations are detailed and complement the text well. Fans of fantasy, horses, fairy tales, and magic will enjoy this book. It is recommended that readers read the first three books in the Horsetail Hollow series first.

