



Cecilie Eken



Silver Bloom

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Fantasy and the realistic everyday life meet in this novel about a boy who is made responsible for a magic plant girl with unpredictable powers.

Cecilie Eken is an award-winning author who writes with beauty and imagination in a language that encompasses both the every day and the poetical. Her works tackle the big themes of life: parents and children, friendship, love, and finding our place in the world and a sense of connectedness. She has been nominated for the prestigious Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award in 2023, 2024 and 2025.



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Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Middle-Grade

Genre: Fantasy

Themes: Friendship, Belonging/Identity,

Environment, Growing up

Available material: English sample

SYNOPSIS

Jonas and his best friend, Simon, have a secret den in the big, overgrown garden on the other side of the woods. One day, Jonas spots the owner, an elderly lady, being taken away in an ambulance and she doesn't return. Her house with the many potted plants is empty and locked up. But it seems as if someone is still in there. Someone who needs help.

Silver Bloom has been a hit with readers since it came out in 2002. It is an atmospheric and poetic tale about friendship, change and the magical power of nature and it is the prequel to the new standalone novel, Night Bloom, published for the first time in 2021. The book can be read from 10 years up.

REVIEWS

"An incredibly beautiful and precious tale... rarely have I read a book where a character has moved me so deeply... a fantastic tale about friendship, despair and the wonderful world of nature" – (Literature for Danish teaching (Litteratur til danskfaget))

"A piece of climate literature without any wagging fingers" – (Pædagogen.dk)

Territories Handled

World except: Danish

Territories Sold

French: <u>Hélium</u>

Italian: Editrice Il Castore