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Moomin: The Complete Tove Jansson Comic Strip - Book Two



Synopsis

In the second volume of Tove Jansson's humorous yet melancholic Moomin comic strip, we get four new stories about jealousy, competition, child rearing, and self-reinvention. The Moomins try to hibernate in the fashion of their ancestors but insomnia places them smack-dab into a winter carnival with the winter-sports-loving Mr. Brisk. The fickle and eternally lovestruck Mymble and Snorkmaiden find themselves in competition over a thrilling new man. Moominmamma meets her new neighbor, the Fillyjonk, causing her to hire the depressed and secretive Misabel as her new maid. Mymble's mother arrives on the Moomin family's doorstep with her seventeen new children. Finally, a prophet arrives on the scene declaring that the happy Moomins are in fact not happy at all and need to get back to nature and be free. Moomin, of course, becomes more and more miserable the freer he gets.

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Customer Reviews

This is going to be a weird review. I am currently building my own computer to place on a very low table at the end of my bed. I will not be able to see the monitor from my bed with the way it sits on the table. I ordered some of these Moomin books to use to stand the monitor on because they are one of the few book series that are all the same size. Plus I really like Moomin and I've always wanted these books.

Moomin is one of the most brilliant, quirky, funny and thoughtful comic strips ever made. Cleverly

drawn, highly imaginative writing. Of Swedish origin myself I was lucky enough to grow up with Moomin, and also to find a complete set of the original 10 Moomin books (in Swedish) many years ago. I have always loved the characters, their adventures, interesting philosophies and opinions, and interpretations of the world, etc. I am very happy that these books (the first two at least) are finally re-issued in English so my kids can read them, and the rest of the US. Highly recommended to both young and old. Please buy the first and second book, so the publisher releases the other 8 books too.

Tove Jansson's Moomin is a delight and a pleasure. The characters are beautifully drawn and interact with complex human emotions, but their stories are told in such a simple way that children can enjoy the book quite easily. This comes HIGHLY recommended.

I was introduced to the Moomintroll books by Tove Jansson (a popular Finnish author,) many years ago. These are some of the most charming, well-written and engaging stories for children I've ever encountered. I subsequently shared all the books with my daughter, who also fell in love with the whole Moomin Valley collection of creatures. (My 92-year-old mother still enjoys reading the chapter books!) I had never seen the comic strips, and was delighted to find them. Though they lack the literary finesse of the longer books, they are still charming and funny, and full of wit and satire—displaying through these fanciful critters all the frailties of human behavior. Great for children of all ages.

I read these whimsical, carefully crafted comicstrips as a kid, way back in the seventies in the Dutch newspaper "De Volkskrant" and the strange atmosphere intrigued me. Drawn in a very distinctive, clear line, the stories leisurely meander through the loose plots. Reading Moomin brings you in a relaxed state of mind. Read a story every night before bedtime and you're guaranteed to have pleasant dreams.

As utterly and completely charming as book one. I'd read all her books but had never seen these. I've returned to them often. Question though: How can they call it The COMPLETE comic strip and release two volumes???

This book is great! The whole series is really good. The Moomins are really funny...in an adult humor kind of way. The great thing about it is that kids would enjoy it too!

A humorous array of ordinary domestic problems seem to keep cropping up for the Moomin family as they host their own winter sports fest, hire a maid and try to build a house.

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