The Birds' Gift: A Ukrainian Easter Story
Synopsis

Villagers take in a flock of golden birds nearly frozen by an early snow and are rewarded with beautifully decorated eggs the next spring.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

The Birds’ Gift is a wonderful folk tale of the Easter Season. The Ukrainian villagers help the birds trapped over the winter. The birds repay the kindness by leaving behind beautiful Easter Eggs when they go on their own in the spring. The author tells the story in a lovely gentle manner. The illustrations are delightful, especially the last two pages with intricately designed Ukrainian Easter eggs. Highly recommended.

I have always been interested in the Ukrainian art of pysanky and found this book touching. Anyone interested in seeing fine examples of Ukrainian Pysanky should visit the pysanky showcase website at [...]

A very good book, with a story that you will want to re-read each Easter. It’s a favorite in our home!

A beautiful story with lovely illustrations. It is a beautiful book to share at Easter time. It is also a glimpse into Ukrainian culture.