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Book Review

Title: Disney Princess Chapter Book: Aurora—

The Perfect Party

Author: Wendy Loggia

Illustrator: Studio Iboix, Gabriella Matta

Reviewer: Liz Kazandzhy Publisher: Disney Press Publication Year: 2011 ISBN: 9781599611815 Number of Pages: 80 Interest Level: Primary Rating: Dependable



Review

It's almost been a year since Aurora moved in the castle with the fairies after marrying Prince Phillip. When Aurora overhears the fairies talking about how much they miss the old cottage, Aurora decides to throw them a surprise party, right before her own birthday party. She takes notes of what they miss the most—forget-me-not flowers, fresh strawberries, and how the birds used to sing—and makes plans to incorporate those into her party. The hardest part is keeping all of this a secret from the fairies! Aurora enlists the help of her husband to creatively keep the fairies distracted while she makes trips into the cottage to find all the needed items. Finally, the castle staff joins together to make all the necessary preparations, and when the secret party is finally revealed to the three fairies, they are absolutely delighted and everyone has a wonderful time celebrating.

The format of this book features large, easy-to read text on durable, glossy pages, and occasionally there are pleasant, full-color pictures that illustrate what's happening in the story at that moment. There's not a whole lot of mystery, but there is some tension throughout (trying to keep the party a secret from the fairies) that all gets resolved in the end, and it's enough to keep a child wanting to turn the pages. Also, like many Disney products, the book carries a prosocial message with plenty of positive interactions and relationships. Overall, this is a simple and fun chapter book that would present a pleasant challenge for young readers, especially those who are fans of Disney princesses.

