Little Elliot: Fall Friends

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Elliot and Mouse enjoy the city life. It is exciting and full of color, but sometimes it can be too much. The two friends decide to hop on a bus and visit the fall countryside. When Mouse is unable to find Elliot during a game of hide-and-seek, he enlists the help of new friends. Together, they come up with a delicious solution that leads Elliot straight to Mouse. Their adventure ends surrounded by new friends, food, and a sky full of stars.

An elephant and a mouse are unlikely friends that touch on several different topics in one simple picture book. They teach readers about trying new things, making friends, working together, thinking creatively, and enjoying simple pleasures. Curato’s illustrations were created using pencil on paper and digital color. The pictures on each page wonderfully capture the rich fall colors and autumnal mood of the story. The short narrative, engaging plot line, and aesthetically pleasing illustrations make this a fun book for parents or older children to read to young kids.