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**Nominated for the 2015 Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award!**

Kate's family has told her that on her thirteenth birthday she'll hear the "Whooooo" call of the moon, howl back, and become a werewolf just like them. But she doesn't want to be a werewolf. She's always felt more like a duck.

On the night of her thirteenth birthday, Kate stands near her family's cabin in the backwoods of New Brunswick and hears the moon calling—but it sounds like more of a "Whooooo?" as in "Who are you?" and Kate does what she's always wanted to do—she quacks.

Her family struggles to understand Kate's new full-moon form, but they are busy integrating themselves with some edgy new werewolves who arrived in town with a mysterious past. And to make matters even hairier, there's a strange reporter lurking around who thinks he might've heard a howl or two.

Engaging, hilarious, and utterly believable, *Wereduck* is a thrilling addition to the were-canonical by an exciting new voice in children's fiction.

## Wereduck Details

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## From Reader Review Wereduck for online ebook

### **Chad Lucas says**

Laugh-out-loud funny and full of heart, Wereduck is a great read for middle-graders that has passed back and forth between my kids multiple times.

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### **Marion says**

This was a very fun read! I look forward to hearing the reviews of my various book addicted grandkids. AND I'm hoping for an early release of Book Two. Write on there, Dave :-)

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### **Kayla says**

Cute and quirky. Although a small book intended for a young audience, the vocabulary range increases the readership potential. I won a copy on goodreads. The main character is a teenage girl who is dealing with all the trauma that being a newly minted teen comes with and the awful fact that for her it includes becoming a full fledged werewolf like the rest of her family. There is family issues, boys, and fear of discover by an over zealous reporter. Loved the humour, fun read. My kids may be grown but I love finding new kids books with quirky content.

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### **Kate Inglis says**

Wereduck is such a terrific, good-humoured, and devourable read. Both my kids loved both books, getting great kicks from its plucky hero, her friends, and the ever-chasing tabloid bad guy. Quick, tumble-downhill fun for all sorts!

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### **Alexander Jones says**

I received this book from GoodReads First Reads--I love the twists and turns of wereducks and betrayal

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### **Meghan says**

This book is a light read; original and very funny. If you buy it for your kids to read, you're going to want to read it, too.

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## **Felicia says**

Great book- I thought it was so funny and a great read

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## **Kate says**

Aaaaadorable.

Kate, whose lives with her family of werewolves, follows her heart when the moon calls to her on the 13th birthday and becomes a wereduck instead. And also there's a mystery and danger and intrigue. And it's set in Canada!

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## **Wunderdrugged says**

This title is nominated for the 2016 Hackmatack award in the fiction category.

I really liked the messages in this book about being true to yourself, and standing up for what's right.

Sometimes it is hard to be different, but in the end it is always more satisfying to remain true to your ideals than to compromise them. Your moral compass will point you in the right direction, regardless of what friends or family may try to influence you to do. A simple morality tale with some silly humour mixed in. Loved the cover illustration.

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## **PEI Public Library Service says**

Have you ever thought of what kind of an animal you would like to be if you had a chance to transform yourself into an animal? In his book, Wereduck, author Dave Atkinson introduces the readers to a young girl, Kate, who has grown up in a family of werewolves. On her 13th birthday Kate's family expects her to transform into a werewolf but Kate, unlike others in her family, does not want to become a werewolf. She has always felt more like a wereduck! The readers have a chance to follow her decision making, transformation and adventure as a wereduck.

What I enjoyed most about this book was the way the author developed the main character, Kate. She really grew up in front of my eyes daring to choose a different destiny from the rest of the family members and learning to use the duck behaviour to her advantage.

The book is a mix of adventure and mystery peppered with lots of humour and interesting tidbits regarding werewolf myths. If possible, you should read this book on a cold night, when the wind is howling, setting the scene for werewolves and other mythical creatures. Whooooo?... Quack, quack! Can't wait for book number two!

Borrow a copy: <http://bit.ly/1DrkKW9>

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### **Brian says**

Wereduck is a great read that you'll pretend you're reading for your kids. It's a page turner with great characters and is salted liberally with both humour and wisdom. Highly recommend.

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### **Mirlou says**

Great tales, funny.

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### **Katie says**

I spent the first half of this book wondering whether or not the book was a joke: first, the title, secondly, it was in the YA section of my bookstore though it is clearly a children's novel, and third, the cheesy little lines about ducks (a flock of ducks fluttered in her stomach? Atkinson, what're you trying to pull, bud?) had me in tears I was giggling so much.

But I really liked how silly it felt, overall. That is exactly the kind of reaction you want with a children's book. You want them engaged. You want them to love reading.

Wereduck also had some really good morals for the youngins: be true to who you are, family first, etc etc.

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