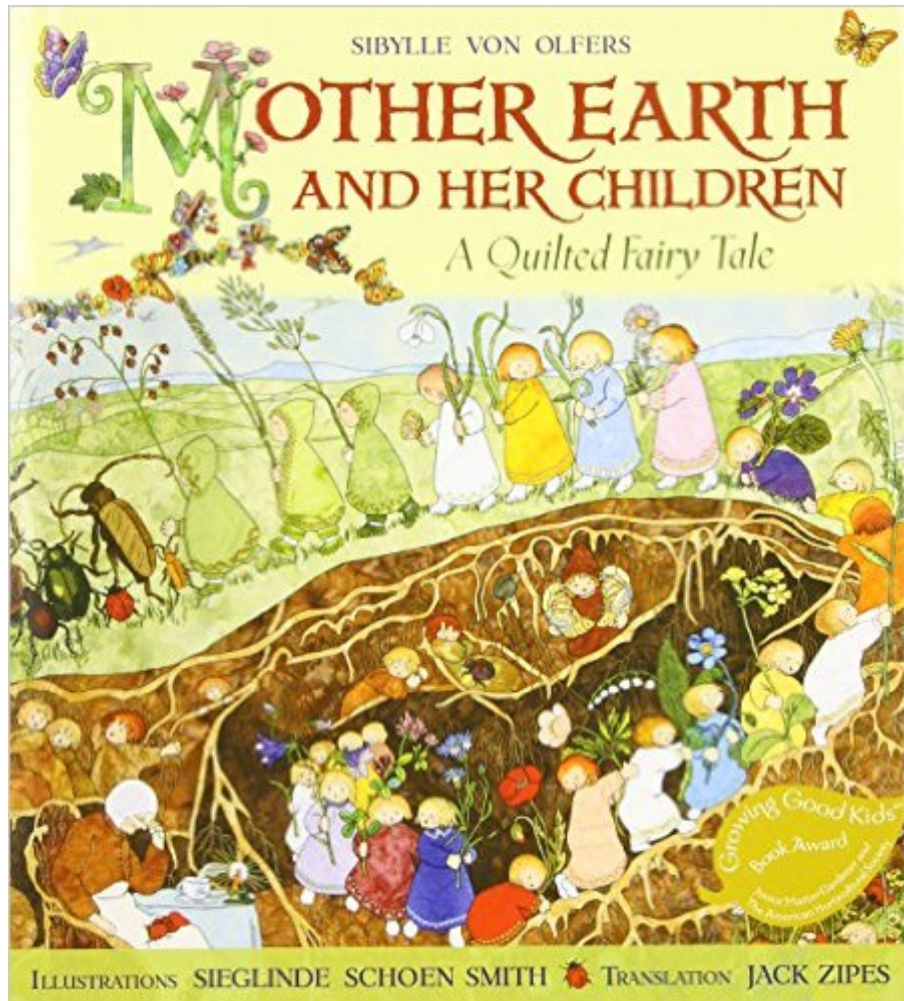


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Mother Earth And Her Children: A Quilted Fairy Tale



Synopsis

The incredibly intricate and vivid illustrations in this book are details of a modern quilt inspired by Sibylle von Olfers' classic storybook *Mother Earth and Her Children*. This vibrant new translation, in turn inspired by the quilt, explores the changing of the seasons and delicately touches upon the circle of life. When Mother Earth calls her children to prepare for spring, the earthly children yawn and stretch before they busy themselves with beautification. They dust off the bumblebees, scrub the beetles, paint bright new coats on the ladybugs, and rouse the caterpillars from their cocoons. Bedecked with new blossoms, the children emerge from the earth and become spring flowers that frolic through the summer and autumn, until the leaves begin to fall and they return to Mother Earth, bringing the weary bugs and beetles back to their winter refuge.

Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 8 years

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Customer Reviews

If you are a fan of gentle stories and old-fashioned children's books, such as those used for Waldorf education, you've probably read *Story of the Root Children* #1491 by Sibylle Von Olfers. It's a lovely story, so I searched by other books by the same author and came across this title, and ordered it sight unseen. The book was not what I expected. It is not a new story by the same author, but rather a paraphrased retelling of *The Story of the Root Children*. Instead of the original illustrations, the pictures are photographs of a quilt that was created based on the original book. I did not realize that

"Mother Earth and Her Children" and "The Story of the Root Children" were one and the same, I wish that was a little more clear in the product description. Don't get me wrong, the quilt is absolutely amazing and spectacular. I'm in awe of how anyone was able to create it, the quilt is a work of art. The dust jacket can be removed and has a little poster on the backside of the full quilt. If you are a fan of quilts or quilting, you will probably appreciate the book just for the beauty of the quilt. And if you are a huge fan of the original Root Children, you may also want this book just to see this lovely "fan art," if you will. However, if you're like me, and are looking for Waldorf-style picture books, you'll probably prefer the original story with Von Olfer's gentle watercolor illustrations. There's not really a reason to have both of the books, as it is the same story, and basically the same pictures (the quilt is simply a sewn version of the original watercolors).

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