

# Marmaduke Duck and the Christmas Calamity

Written by Juliette MacIver  
Illustrated by Sarah Davis

Oh no! Santa and the elves are buried in snow ...  
it's a high-drama Christmas calamity, whatever  
can we do?

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Lexile	Read aloud

**Juliette MacIver** is a Wellington-based author and mother of four. She majored in Linguistics at Victoria University and has a diploma in teaching English. Juliette is the author of popular Scholastic picture books the *Marmaduke Duck* series, *Grasshoppers Dance*, *The Moose and the Goose*, *Bye! Bye! Bye!* and *Tom and the Dragon*.

Juliette's picture books have been awarded two Storylines Notable Book Awards and have been shortlisted for the NZ Children's Book Awards, the LIANZA Children's Book Awards and the Crystal Kite Award.

**Sarah Davis** grew up in New Zealand and moved to Australia in 2004 where she began work as a freelance illustrator. Sarah is the illustrator of the much-loved *Marmaduke Duck* series and has been nominated for awards both in New Zealand and Australia. Sarah lives in Sydney with her three children, her mathematician husband, and assorted animals.

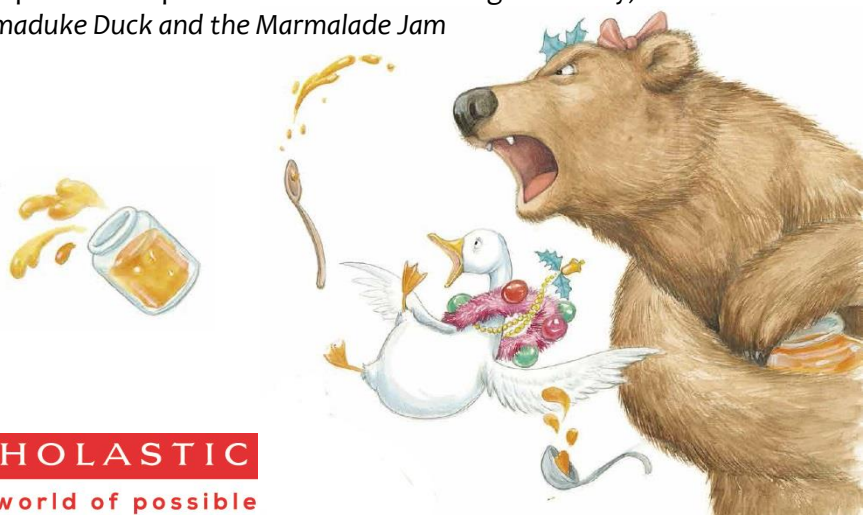
That daredevil duck with pluck is back – and this time, he and Bernadette Bear and their ragtag band of friends are charged with saving Christmas! But how are they going to fly Santa's sleigh? Quick-thinking Marmaduke comes to the rescue.

- 4<sup>th</sup> book in this popular series, this time with with action and adventure in the ice and snow!
- Both narrative and illustrations zing with humour
- Children will relish MacIver's rhyming language and Davis's detailed pictures
- And who knew there was an actual north 'pole' that has magical powers?!

## Praise for the Marmaduke Duck series

"It's very difficult to write rhyming text that scans well, but Juliette MacIver has managed to produce text that is a delight to read aloud. This is a book to savour." — *Magpies*

"The resonance, continuing echoing of sound would make it great fun to read aloud to a child and I think any child listening to it will pick up on it with pleasure." — The late Margaret Mahy, about *Marmaduke Duck and the Marmalade Jam*



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