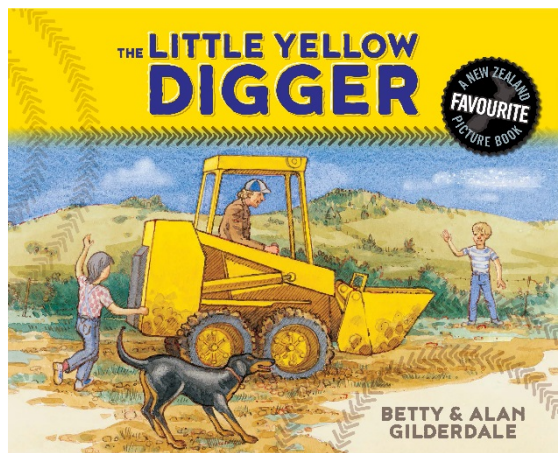


# The Little Yellow Digger

BETTY & ALAN GILDERDALE



Arguably NZ's best-loved children's book, now in a new larger format, hardback gift edition!

*In the next door garden  
they were digging out a drain  
when the weather turned quite nasty  
and it poured and poured with rain.*

For over 20 years, these words from *The Little Yellow Digger* have resonated in households throughout NZ. Some of the original listeners are now parents themselves, introducing their own children to this iconic Kiwi story of which they have such fond memories.

- New design for this gift edition in hardback
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- Winner of the 2002 Gaelyn Gordon Award for a Much-Loved Book
- Over 400,000 books in *The Little Yellow Digger* series are in print

## Praise for *The Little Yellow Digger*

“Wonderful for reading aloud is *The Little Yellow Digger*, a lively, cumulative story based loosely on fact” — *Sunday Times*, 1993

“Charmer for the children” — *Bay of Plenty Times*, 1993

“Betty Gilderdale’s energetic rhyming text reads aloud well and invites children to anticipate the drama. There is plenty of humour as digger after digger gets stuck but Gilderdale knows that the readers (or listeners) are aware of that and lets the humour speak for itself.” — *NZ Herald*, 1993



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**Betty Gilderdale** is known for her biographies and adult publishing, but she is even better known for her invention of this popular piece of machinery. A lecturer in English with numerous books behind her, Betty takes *The Little Yellow Digger* stories very seriously – giving them as much time and consideration as her more lengthy works for adults.

## Alan Gilderdale

A well-respected artist and art teacher, the late Alan Gilderdale’s only experience with picture book illustration was with *The Little Yellow Digger* series, which is the most popular Scholastic NZ series to date.