



NICOLAS BARREAU **THE BLUE TIGER**

A blue tiger and a little girl with a lively imagination.

A magical children's book by best-selling author Nicolas Barreau.

»And where do you come from?« Héloïse wanted to know. – »From the Blue Land.« – »Is that far from here?« – »Oh yes, very far. So far that you have to fly.« – »In an airplane?« Héloïse had never flown in her life. The tiger rolled his eyes. »For Heaven's sake, not in an airplane! They're far too noisy and far too slow. And anyway we don't have any airfields. No, no, the only way to reach the Blue Land is by longing.«

You only meet a blue tiger once in a lifetime . . . but you never forget him.



»Where I come from, they say that paint spots are the most beautiful things in the world.«*The blue tiger*



Héloïse is a very imaginative little girl. She is convinced that carpets can fly, if you only know the magic word, and that her stuffed toys talk to each other secretly at night. When she goes on a trip to the Jardins de Bagatelle with her classmates on her eighth birthday and paints a blue tiger with silver stripes, everyone laughs at her. Héloïse is embarrassed, and claims it's a cloud tiger, leaving her drawing book behind in her confusion.

When she secretly creeps back to the park that evening, the picture has vanished. But suddenly there is a blue tiger with silver stripes standing near the Grotto of the Four Winds: he introduces himself as a cloud tiger. He tells her about the Blue Land where paint spots are the most important things in life and sky-pebbles are precious stones. And then he invites the astonished Héloïse to take an unforgettable flight over Paris by night. . .

- A wonderful book full of wisdom and magic, with enchanting illustrations by Simona Mulazzani. For children from 5 upwards and for grown-ups who still sometimes yearn for the Blue Land.

- The first children's book by the popular best-selling author Nicolas Barreau, illustrated by prize-winning Italian illustrator Simona Mulazzani.

- A magical story about friendship and the power of the imagination. And about the fact that grown-ups aren't always right.

- For children of five and over. For friends of the Little Prince. For Nicolas Barreau fans. And for everyone who would like to meet a cloud tiger sometime.

»In his first children's book international bestseller author Nicolas Barreau tells in a most wonderful way why it is so important to never give up one's fantasies. The graceful illustrations of award-winning artist Simona Mulazzani are a perfect match.«

BRIGITTE

SIMONA MULAZZANI (born in Milan) is an Italian painter and illustrator who has won several prizes. After graduating from art school she worked in the field of animated films before beginning to illustrate children's books. She has illustrated over 90 children's books for publishers all over the world. In 2005 Simona Mulazzani was awarded the silver medal of the Society of Illustrators in New York.

NICOLAS BARREAU has won himself a million fans all over the world with his novels, above all with the »Best Seller of the Year« *The Ingredients of Love*, which was translated into 34 languages.

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