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# Christmas With The Rural Mail



## Synopsis

A gentle poem describing the journey of a mail sleigh through rural Nova Scotia at Christmastime, delivering packages and parcels to children, Christmas with the Rural Mail is a Canadian holiday classic. The poem is carefully crafted to fit Maud Lewis's colorful paintings, and the mail sleigh passes children skiing and tobogganing, oxen and Clydesdale horses pulling heavy loads, and the train station, among other classic rural winter scenes. Lewis's artwork is ideal for babies and toddlers, with its bright colors and simple forms, and the paintings and poem together perfectly evoke Christmases gone by. This is a sturdy board book edition great for young readers.

## Book Information

Board book: 24 pages

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Age Range: 4 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 2

## Customer Reviews

"Woolaver's well-written poem keeps perfect cadence with the horses as they jingle through the snow. The sights and sounds along the path introduce young children to the essence of rural life. The primitive paintings of Canadian folk artist, Maud Lewis, create a colorful backdrop for this precious tale." (Southwest Ohio and Nieghboring Librairies 2011-10-31)

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Much like the horses and oxen who pull loads in this small book, the naive art and the simple words with rhyming lines work together to tell the story of a rural Christmas from long ago. I admire the way

the author puts together a collection of Maud Lewis's paintings and weaves them into a story.

A poetic narrative of the delivery of the rural Christmas mail by horse and sleigh in turn of the century Nova Scotia. The naive illustrations by Maude Lewis make the book charming to adults and easily understood by young children. Our two year old requests it again and again.

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