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Who is this Stranger? Why did he arrive after a winter storm and what wonderful surprises does he bring? Your children will love this photographic fantasy created by two noted wildlife photographers.

You'll discover this tale is beta-carotene for the spirit in everyone.

## **Stranger in the Woods: A Photographic Fantasy Details**

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## **From Reader Review Stranger in the Woods: A Photographic Fantasy for online ebook**

### **Christina/ The Blog for Teachers, Readers, & Life! says**

Stranger in the Woods: A Photographic Fantasy (ages 4-8) was created by Carl R. Sams II and his wife Jean Stoick. Sams and Stoick created an enchanting story filled with captivating photographs of winter wildlife. Who is the Stranger in the Woods, and what is so special about him? This book has been on the New York Times Bestseller list, the International Reading Association Award, Ben Franklin Award along with approximately 80 awards in total.

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### **Melissa Coyle says**

Beautiful photography of animals along with a rhythmic story that will delight young children. A must for the bookshelf of young ones to read on a cold winter's night.

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### **Shannon says**

This is a beautiful book and a nice story. We like to read it each year after we put up our Christmas tree.

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### **Nicole Beck says**

Stranger in the Woods is a Photographic Fantasy. K-3. I would use it in the classroom for language development. Kids learn well through the use of sounds and rhythm. Picture books allow children to discuss what is in the picture. The way the words are spread across the page is unique. Having actual photographs helps the reader connect with the characters on a greater level.

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### **Viviane Elbee says**

Lovely photographs of a wintery world, featuring the deer and birds that are in another photography book by this same couple.

The kids and I loved the part where the animals discover the snowman and all he has to offer them.

Fun book to look at, especially for animal fans, snowman fans, and winter photography fans.

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### **Peacegal says**

The text isn't the strongest, but readers young and old will delight in the stunning nature photography throughout *Stranger in the Woods*. The "stranger" is a snowman that two children have decorated with treats for the hungry woodland animals.

This book would be a nice resource for classroom identification and discussion of our wild neighbors, many of whom will be familiar to students in both rural and suburban areas.

I was also pleased to see whitetail deer featured prominently and positively throughout. In various parts of the country, these graceful animals are considered little more than targets, trophies, or pests; so it's always nice to see a more compassionate portrayal.

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### **Jessica says**

While my husband and I didn't care much for this book, our son loved it and requested it constantly. As a result, he now identifies chickadees and cardinals in our yard - in the end it was worth the clumsy writing style.

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### **Andrea says**

I love this sweet little book, primarily for the pictures. I have picked it up a few times when I see it in the stores and it's a quick and easy read, but the pictures are what really makes the book. It's the perfect book for Christmas time or any time during the winter (or any other season)! Kids will definitely love it but adults who love animals and nature will enjoy it too!

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### **Alecia says**

My daughter loved reading a different book called "One Snowy Day" about cartoon animals that build a snowman so when I saw this book, I thought it would be a perfect one to read and compare. We loved the photographs and the "recipe" for building a snow man at the back.

It was a good book to read aloud with some opportunities to ask my children about their predictions ("Who do you think the stranger in the woods is?") or to make inferences ("Why do you think they children are hiding behind the trees?").

We are hoping that it snows one more time so that we can make a snowman and put some birdseed on him like the children in the book.

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### **Norma says**

The author and illustrator - who happen to be husband and wife - have collaborated to blend an imaginative use of photography with a lyrical text to place the reader in the midst of a magical natural setting. The effect is lovely on the eye.

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### **mary dewley says**

I read this for the first time today. We had a family that came to our library to build a snow man and enjoy hot cider and doughnuts. Even though we received a ton of snow, unfortunately it wasn't wet enough to pack and make a snowman with. So we sat down and read. The beautiful photographs of the animals, the woods and the snowman could have propelled the story on their own, but the accompanying text is enjoyable and the children were delighted to make the animal noises as they listened intently, waiting to discover who the stranger in the woods was.

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### **Melki says**

Following a snow storm, the cry goes out among the animals - **"Stranger in the woods!"** After much debate, a young buck volunteers to investigate, but it's the bold Chickadee who makes first contact. The stranger doesn't say much, but he does share what he can with the animals. And what a cute ending!

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### **Jodi says**

A much-loved favorite we keep re-reading every winter. :-)

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### **Brianna Clark says**

What really drew me in was the intense real life illustrations that relate so well to the content of the story.

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### **Melissa Turner says**

I completed this Fantasy picture book on 1/21/2018. Something that surprised me was how amazing the pictures are! This book is filled with real pictures taken of animals in their habitats. This book would be great to read during snow falls or the winter season with younger elementary. I think kindergarten-2nd grade would like how the author made the animals sound like their noises.

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