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Enid Blyton's timeless collection of Christmas stories - an ideal gift for anyone who loved the stories during their own childhood to pass on to the next generation of readers.

Enid Blyton's Christmas Stories was so popular that readers asked for another collection - and here it is! Nobody captures the spirit of Christmas like Enid Blyton, and in these stories - which are perfect for reading alone or sharing - she describes the excitement of anticipating gifts, the pleasures of making special food, of singing carols, and coming together to share good times with friends and families. As ever with Blyton, there is mischief and mayhem but good always prevails in the end.

This is an entirely different set of stories to the ones included in *Enid Blyton's Christmas Stories*. All stories previously appeared in magazines and anthologies from the 40s and 60s. This collection contains the original texts and is unillustrated.

The stories in this collection are:

One Christmas Eve
All the Way to Santa Claus
Annabelle's Little Thimble
A Coat for the Snowman
The Extraordinary Christmas Tree
On His Way Home
Good Gracious, Santa Claus!
No Present for Benny
First Walk in December
The Christmas Tree Fairy
A Christmas Legend
The Christmas Bicycle
The Battle in the Toyshop
A Grand Visitor
The Little Carol Singer
The Man Who Wasn't Father Christmas
A Christmas Wish
He Belonged to the Family
A Hole in her Stocking
Christmas in the Toyshop
They Didn't Believe in Santa Claus!
Bobbo's Magic Stocking
On Christmas Night
Little Mrs Millikin
Second Walk in December
The Magic Snow-bird

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Sophie Crane says

This book is a collection of short stories for Children about Christmas. The stories are from a simpler time when children received a ball, or a doll, or maybe some soldiers for Christmas. My Mum loves listening to the stories and I quite enjoyed reading them also.

Namratha says

I am never going to be too old for magic.
I am never going to be too old for Christmas.
And I am sure as hell never going to be too old for Enid Blyton's stories.

Blyton is the literary equivalent of scrunching up your toes in front of a cheery fireplace on a chilly night. And when she adds her own brand of magic to Christmas, it makes for heartwarming stuff. This book is packed with lots of short stories that cover elves, brownies, humans, fairies, fake wolves and magical birds and yep, even Santa Claus. Some transport you to a winter wonderland, others have tiny lessons gently tucked in and still others capture the true essence of Christmas in inspiring conclusions.

A lovely December read that really makes you look forward to Christmas with the bushy-tailed optimism of a child.

Mandie says

Everybody's childhood has an encounter with Enid Blyton but I will admit that this is the first time I have come across her Christmas stories.

Enid Blyton's Christmas Tales transport you back into a time where things were a little more simple and innocent and where not everything was about the material side of Christmas. In true Enid Blyton style each story shows how kindness is rewarded in many different ways and naughtiness will always be punished.

There are things that will make you chuckle along the way.

With 25 stories to choose from you can read a tale a day in the run up to the big event getting your children in the mood for Christmas and showing them the true meaning of Christmas spirit.

As much as this book did transport me back to my childhood, it did also make me realise just how cynical I had become as an adult. Everything you take at face value growing up took on a whole new meaning reading these stories as an adult. Yes I was chuckling at some of the stories but that was due to the fact that innocent phrases and sentences didn't always sound so innocent in my head. Then again maybe that just says more about my warped mind and sense of humour than it does about the actual book (a sentiment that those who know me well would probably totally agree with) or that I had finally reached Christmas overload reading so many Christmas books back to back

Kirsty says

I adore Christmassy reads, and as Enid Blyton was one of my favourite childhood authors, I could not resist purchasing an electronic copy of *Christmas Tales*. I would have undoubtedly liked the collection far more as a child; my adult self saw flaws in the writing, and felt as though some of the stories were unfinished, or had been rushed. Almost all of them, true to form, are morality tales, and whilst some are rather sweet, there are an enormous amount of purses which fall out of holes in pockets, troublesome stockings, and those featuring a talking Santa Claus. Although rather twee, one of the mainstays of *Christmas Tales* is that it does promote happiness during the festive season, and is well worth reading to a child for this reason alone.

Parth says

There are 25 stories in this lovely book - perfect for December, as if you start reading the book on 1 Dec, and read the first story on that day, then read the second story on 2 Dec, and so on, finishing with the final story on 25 Dec (Christmas Day).

As it is rightly said, Enid Blyton loved writing stories, and she loved Christmas too! So writing this book must have been much enjoyable by Enid Blyton. All of them capture the spirit of Christmas, from people who don't believe in Santa Claus even with proof to a boy who doesn't have money for his poor family for Christmas dinner and finds Santa' (wishing) cap and with some truthfulness gets what he deserved and wanted - a Christmas Dinner for his family. My personal favourite was the story about Brownie the horse who is going to be sold on Christmas day. But then when he finds a spectacular way to save his master, he continues to belong to the family which loves him!

This was my 100th book of the year - that that too on Dec 31! I think it is a perfect book to end the year with....
