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Review

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—**Philip Pullman**

“What keeps the pages turning is the remarkable illustrations, which shift from spread to spread... It’s a spectacular show of friendship’s power to change and fill lives.”

—**The Boston Globe**

“A beautiful piece of design coupled with thoughtful prose...[a] masterpiece.”

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“The most physically beautiful book I had the pleasure of holding in my hands in 2015...Really, *The Fox and the Star* is an art book, a chance for the abundantly talented Bickford-Smith—best-known for designing the crave-worthy Penguin hardcover classics—to create an entire book from scratch. The simple story of a young fox who loses his best friend only to discover a whole new world makes a sweet premise, but the main attraction is Bickford-Smith’s masterful exercise of the book designer’s craft.”

—**Laura Miller, Slate**

“A delightful surprise for fairy tale lovers of all ages.”

—**Parade**

“Book designer Coralie Bickford-Smith has created a volume that’s as close to a work of art as anything mass-produced can be...It’s a quiet allegory made perfect by exquisite, pattern-based illustrations printed on heavy paper. While older children will be mesmerized, *The Fox and the Star* is for readers of any age who appreciate sophisticated visuals. Grade: A+”

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—**Fast Company**

“Coralie Bickford-Smith is easily our favorite book cover designer.”

–*Brain Pickings*

“London-based Coralie Bickford-Smith is the darling of the book design world.”

–*Bon Appetit*

About the Author

Coralie Bickford-Smith is a designer at Penguin Books. Her book covers have been recognized by the AIGA in the United States and D&AD in the UK, and have featured in numerous international magazines and newspapers including the *New York Times*, *Vogue* and the *Guardian*. Her work on the Penguin Hardcover Classics series has attracted worldwide attention and harks back to the world of Victorian book bindings. She has been asked to exhibit and speak about her work in the UK, Sweden, Germany, Portugal, and the US.

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