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The Author

Rainer Maria Rilke (* 1875 in Prag, † 1926 in Valmon, Switzerland) is one of Germany's most famous poets. With anthologies like "The hour-book", "Sonetts to Orpheus" or the "Duineser Elegies" he created an entire and unique part of German lyrics. Like the popular poem "The Merry-Go-Round" his "The Panther" belongs to the "New Poems" of 1907/08.

The Illustrator

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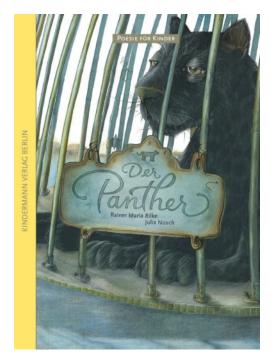
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RAINER MARIA RILKE & JULIA NÜSCH The Panther

Rainer Maria Rilke tells in his famous poem about a locked-in panther that he saw in the Jardin des Plantes in Paris. He lends a voice to the graceful animal and introduces the reader into the emotional world of the black cat behind the bars: As if you were seeing the world through the eyes of the panther. The poem is considered to be the most famous "Dinggedicht" (thing poem) of all time and is a literary pleasure for young and old alike! Combined with Julia Nüsch's lovely pictures you will experience the verses as touching as never before.

REVIEWS

"The illustrations are of astonishing power, despite the confined space. One still senses the original ferocity, the untamed and unbroken behind the panther's vacant gaze and thus suffers with a creature that has ceased to exist. Nüsch brings the important matters to life with muted colours. Only the image background can dissipate, as the view of the observer ist meant to home in on the big cat. She appears very much alive despite all the lethargy and may as well be winking at us. [...] A captivating dialogue with the poet's words." - *Eselsohr*



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"The Panther is a true treasure within this series. The pictures are as incredibly expressive and pow-



erful as the poem by Rilke himself. [...] Anyone not touched by the lines of the poem alone will be after looking at the pictures. The animal is drawn in an amazingly realistic manner. Majesty, power and suppleness are as evident in the images as the empty gaze. [...] A magnificent picture book!" - *Janetts Meinung*