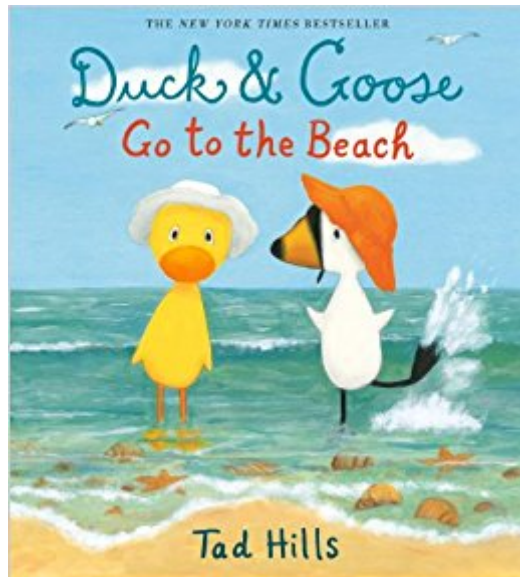




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# Duck & Goose Go To The Beach



## Synopsis

Take a trip to the beach with the beloved, classic, and *New York Times* "bestselling odd couple Duck & Goose! Duck wants to go on an adventure. But Goose isn't so sure. Together, the two best friends set off on a walk that takes them through the meadow, past a shady thicket, and over a distant hill, all the way to a place they've never been before—the beach! Turns out, Goose loves the ocean. But guess who doesn't? Praise for the Duck & Goose series: "Duck and Goose have taken their places alongside Frog and Toad and George and Martha as fine examples of friendship, curiosity and problem-solving." *Kirkus Reviews* "Charming, funny, simple, and surprising. . . . Hills is master of the light comic touch." *The Boston Globe*

## Book Information

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PreS-K "Beloved Duck and Goose star in yet another adventure that cements their friendship. Goose is cautious and less adventuresome than Duck. "Let's go away," says Duck. "Sounds like a fine way to twist your ankle," replies Goose. Yet because they are friends, they both hike to the beach. Each illustration, done in rich, glorious colors, is a delight. Especially notable is the

humorous page on which a huge wave wipes them out, covering Duck in seaweed. Hills employs excellent vocabulary-stretching words, with "magnificent" and "loud" to describe the vast expanse of sky, sand, and sea. There is so much expression in just the eyes of these characters that children can't help but smile. As the story reaches a satisfying conclusion, they will proclaim this tale a winner.âBlair Christolon, Prince William Public Library System, Manassas, VA

Duck and Goose have shared and squabbled through a long series of picture and board books, each time delivering a comic reflection of childrenâs friendships. In this, their tenth go-round, theyâre both happily at rest in a butterfly-dotted meadow until Goose says, âLetâs never leave.â To which, of course, Duck responds, âLetâs leave,â racing off. Goose is very reluctant to move and keeps up a constant argument about the wisdom of just staying put. Duck manages to get them both to the beach, and in a nifty reversal, itâs Goose who now reigns, reveling in the waves, the new creatures they meet, and the seashell-filled tidal pool, while Duck just gets his feathers ruffled by everything. Hillsâ illustrations are rendered in bright oil paints that capture meadow and sea with equal vivacity. Duck and Goose, of course, are their usual comically at-odds selves, this time nicely illustrating the benefits of both adventurous and cautious personalities. Preschool-Kindergarten. --Connie Fletcher

I got this book for my 2-year-old daughter in preparation for our family vacation to Hawaii, which was her first time going to the beach. This book introduced the concept of not only the beach but also going on a trip away from home, and it got her very excited about seeing new things and having new experiences before our trip. She memorized the whole book word-for-word within days, and she recited it constantly while we were in Hawaii. This book also convinced my daughter to wear a sun hat! She had always hated wearing hats, but I pointed out that Duck and Goose both wear hats on their adventure, and now she begs to wear her sun hat, which she calls her "Duck and Goose hat". My only gripe with this book is that Duck and Goose are both boys. The Duck and Goose board books are all gender neutral with no gender-specific pronouns, which I really appreciate, as I like my daughter to read books featuring both boys and girls. Since Duck and Goose are her favorite book characters, I have always read them with Duck being a girl and Goose a boy. In "Duck and Goose Go to the Beach", I had to change the pronouns to make Duck a girl. Not a big deal, but I had always thought that Duck and Goose were purposefully written so they could be any gender. Also, I'll add that I really like reading this book. Anytime my daughter gets a new book, she demands that I read it dozens of times a day, over and over until she memorizes it, which is usually extremely

tedious and sets my teeth on edge. But this book is actually really fun to read, and I don't get tired of it nearly as much as with other books.

This book was so fun to read and my daughter and students flip through the pages constantly. We were able to make sand and talk about the beach on a snowy day. And of course all of us Mommies were day dreaming of going on our own adventure to get there! Tad Hill does a fabulous job of giving great vocabulary to his books as well as beautiful illustrations! My classes and clients love talking about Duck and Goose and I use a plethora of these books in class. For some great ideas to add to this book from the publisher visit: [...]And check out these other awesome titles!Â Duck & Goose, Goose Needs a HugDuck & Goose

My 3 year old son loves books. Ever since he could scoot across the floor with one in his hand, he would make his way to our laps for some reading time. We initially checked this book out at the library and it was a huge hit. We read it by request at least once a day the entire check out period and when we returned it, we realized we probably didn't want to be caught with out our own copy. It's been 8 months and he still loves it! Highly recommend!

Larger than all the Duck & Goose books we have. It's very nice and a cute story.

Story and illustrations are very cute.

My two year old granddaughter loves this series. The board books are a little young for her but this book has become a favorite, perhaps, in part, because she too loves the beach. The pictures are wonderful as is the journey these two friends make over hill and dale until they reach the beach. One is cautious and the other adventuresome so they make a good pair.

I bought this to read to my grandson age 3-1/2 and granddaughter, 2-1/2 while we were vacationing at the beach. They loved it and we read it every night.

My grandson lives near a Texas beach. I knew this book needed to be in his library. Tad Hills has become a trusted author for our family. We know our grandson will be drawn by the artwork, characters and storyline. Those birds are such good friends!

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