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When Hexxus, the forest's ancient enemy, begins changing the weather in FernGully, Crysta, a young fairy, with the help of Pips, Batty Koda, and Zak, attempts to save the forest from certain destruction. Movie tie-in.

Fern Gully Details

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Toni says

Wonderful and funny but with timely reminders told in a lovely way. My grand daughter Emilia is the next to read and looking forward to hearing her opinion.

Eunice Catherine says

I read (and re-read) this a long time ago as a child, and remember it fondly as a part of my childhood. A cousin of mine lent me this book and I'm glad he did. It was so magical to read. Crysta is probably the only fairy I like till now. She is so funny, mischievous yet strong and audacious. The other characters like the good humored Pip, the mysterious Magi Lune, the human Zak, the atrocious Hexxus and a bunch of other amusing fairies and beetles made the story come alive. Above all I loved Batty Koda, the brain fried Bat, the most comical character in the book. This is my favorite from Batty,

"Batty Koda: Really?

Zak: Positive.

Batty Koda: Only fools are positive.

Zak: Are you sure?

Batty Koda: I'm positive... I fell for it! I should have known! "

The book has a great theme, Eco-Consciousness. Overall the story is simple, delightful and fitting childish imaginations. I'd recommend it to every child, and adult who loves very very easy reads.

Casey Anderson says

Cute story. Good messages for kids. Very close to the movie with a few minor differences that actually make the book more true to life. I think we all need to be reminded to listen to the forest.

Brad Coleman says

Great book. I enjoyed reading it to my kids. It is full of characters that they loved!

Sally says

Just beautiful. Seen and loved the film too, of course. It's not Disney, but it does a good show of acting like it!

sherdnerdness says

Ultimate nostalgia and I still love it just the same as 12-year-old me 20 years ago. Wonderful. I've just got a new copy of the animated film too.

Laura Morrigan says

Ferngully is a rainforest near Mount Warning in Australia. In it live many native animals and fairies. A long time ago, an evil gieng called Hexxus was imprisoned in a tree, but when loggers cut down the tree, he once again becomes a threat, as are the loggers. A rebellious young fairy girl, Crysta, along with a crazy bat who has escaped from a lab where he was experimented on by humans and a young man who has been shrunken by magic take on the evil together. Full of humour, adventure and likeable characters, this is a great kid's story with an environmental theme. A movie was also based on it, which came out the year this edition of the book was (presumably) reprinted.

Kirby says

I LOVED this book as a child...not sure how I'd like it now, but I read it over and over back then! I recommend it for any child.

Lizzy Lane says

its a wondful tail

Rebecca McNutt says

As if the eco-freako propaganda of the film itself wasn't lame and annoying enough, they had to release a terribly-written movie tie-in to go along with it. Aside from making some great bonfire kindling, this book (at least in my opinion) was worthless. Extremely limited vocabulary, choppy sentences and the majority of the book rambling on about the earth... Al Gore would be proud! :-\

Stephanie Snyder says

A family favorite

This was a great story, a good read and a good addition to everyone's personal booksh

Freya Green says

Loved this book as a kid, we finished the unit with a camp at Midjinbul, in the foot of Mt Warning, I think that may have made it a bit more special. But when you grow up in that country, any 9 yr olds mind loves to imagine it is filled with the magic of fern gully.

C says

The story follows Crysta a fun loving, rule breaking fairy as she learns more about the magical rainforest she calls home and the dangers that threaten its existence.

I can't remember if I saw the movie or read the book first but this story has always been one of my favorites (and not just because Christian Slater did the voice of Pips in the movie).

Caring for the Earth and the harm we can inflict on it is a strong lesson. One I feel children should be exposed to at a young age. That doesn't mean this story just shoves it's environmental message *save the rainforest* ? on you but is an adventure that is fun and easy to read.

Elizabeth Behrens says

So much better than the movie! Even after seeing the movie hundreds of times, this book outdoes it. While the story is much the same as depicted in the movie, you really feel the forest in the book deeper than in the movie. Hexxus is harder to picture throughout the book as he is barely touched on until the end.

Jody Ellis says

Parts of this book made no sense at all, the personalities... Or lack thereof. The book is rushed and so much is crammed into just 130 pages it doesn't touch on much and so heaps of this book make no sense at all. All these different species are thrown in without an inch of description. The only saving grace were the beautiful illustrations. Sadly, I think this book missed out on its potential which was thankfully brought to glory in the motion picture.

I might read this to my toddlers who wouldn't care for detail anyway, but even as a teen I don't think I would have enjoyed this book. Sadly, I can only award two stars.
