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**Everything you need to know about finding, keeping, and training your very own pet train.**

Finding advice on caring for a dog, a cat, a fish, even a dinosaur is easy. But what if somebody's taste in pets runs to the more mechanical kind? What about those who like cogs and gears more than feathers and fur? People who prefer the call of a train whistle to the squeal of a guinea pig? Or maybe dream of a smudge of soot on their cheek, not slobber? In this spectacularly illustrated picture book, kids who love locomotives (and what kid doesn't?) will discover where trains live, what they like to eat, and the best train tricks around—everything it takes to lay the tracks for a long and happy friendship. All aboard!

## How to Train a Train Details

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# **From Reader Review How to Train a Train for online ebook**

## **Carrie Gelson says**

Just the whole concept is so out there and so fascinating for kids to consider and then, John Rocco's illustrations - wow! My favourite part though might be the Dear Readers message by Rocco at the end of the book.

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## **Maria says**

This is a book for those kids interested in exotic pets. The kind of pets that eat coal, and needed to be oiled to function fully. It details the steps you need to find a wild train and guides the interested child in train taming tactics.

Why I started this book: Found it in the library today.

Why I finished it: Too funny! Perfect birthday gift for the train enthusiast in your life.

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## **Lisa Shorey says**

I picked up this book while looking for books for Christmas presents this year. It is absolutely adorable and a great little story for any elementary age child. I plan on buying a copy for my nephew for Christmas.

I Love, loved the illustration. The book really leaves the reader open to some great possibilities. It would make a wonderful project for a class to get involved in the story and create their own trains.

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## **Michele Knott says**

Good mentor text for a "How to..." type of writing.

I love John Rocco's illustrations!

Cute story of how to train trains to be a pet. Funny take on things, and some of the illustrations of the trains taking on pet-type qualities are quite humorous.

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## **Lisa Fragner says**

Brilliantly appealing concept, pitch-perfect text and luscious gorgeous illustrations! Can't go wrong with this one. Little boys between 2 and 10 will all enjoy this equally and the surprise to me was that my 4 year old daughter was just as into it as my 7 year old! There is NOT ONE weak spot in this fun romp! Perfect present for birthdays!!! Pair it with a Little wooden train for the ubiquitous train table and you are set!

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## **Henry says**

Great book and really fantastic illustrations — like something out of an old Norman Rockwell catalog. A cute, engaging story about how a kid can find, catch, and train his very own train. Nice use of humor for both adults and kids. My only ding would be that some of the illustrations show kids standing on tracks waving at a train to stop. I realize that I may be a little alarmist, but that's kind of a terrifying image to show to a small child and I find myself always stopping the story to remind my boys that they must never actually do anything like that.... That particular image is one that should probably have been left out.

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## **Tim Vandenberg says**

Jason Carter Eaton perfectly personifies pet trains, while John Rocco's art, as always, is amazing and truly transforms this book into a heartwarming delight.

A great collaboration recommended for all train enthusiasts!

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## **Candace says**

Have you ever wanted a pet train? Well, this book will help you choose a train (freight, monorail or steam), name your train, train your train, and help you make friends with other pet owners. Everything you would teach a furry pet you can teach your pet train.

The illustrations are alive, vivid and imaginative. Some of the illustrations are troublesome - standing on the train tracks and pulling your train across a bridge- but the author writes a cautionary note at the end of the book warning against doing these activities. A good book for little engineers who wants a pet train.

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## **Aubrey Caudill says**

I wanted to document that Trent read this whole book! He barely needed any help. it's a cute kids book, we loved the illustrations. highly suggest, my son is 8, 2nd grade and reading and a guided reading level E.

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## **Mary says**

This is a fun book that takes the concept of unusual pets to a new level. The narrator, dressed like he's on a safari, explains to the reader the ins and outs of finding, catching, training, and raising a train as a pet. Where Elisha Cooper's book, Train, is a nice, quiet look at trains, this one is raucous and enthusiastic. I think I'll use it for a storytime about "things that go."

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## **Hockey Mama says**

Great illustrations for the train lover.

Would you like a train as a pet? This is a story on how to catch your train, and train your train as a pet. FUN!

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## **Elisabeth says**

Is it wrong that I want to \*make\* my 10 year old love trains as much as he did when he was 3 and 4?

Because, this book would have been like magic to him then. It's super enjoyable for the not-so-train-obsessed too!

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## **Nicole says**

Going on my favorites shelf! I want sequels!

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## **Renee says**

My two year old loves this! I've read it every night for over a week.

A book with pictures

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## **babyhippoface says**

All the pieces of advice you might get when picking out a pet are given here for picking out a pet train. Do you want a freight train (they are found on the frontier, and they run in herds), a monorail (found in the city, and they run alone), or a steam engine (mostly found in museums)? Sometimes you have to catch your train before you can train it. Then, of course, you have to give it a name. (There are some awesome suggestions here if you're having trouble choosing.)

Older kids may catch more of the humor than younger ones, but the littles may just giggle all the way through. The illustrations in this large picture book are terrifically fun as they depict children picking out trains as pets, working with them, training the trains. Great images and lots of smiles in store for kids in this one.

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