



Perrault's Fairy Tales

By Charles Perrault, Gustave Dore

Dover Publications Inc., United States, 1998. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Gustave Dore (illustrator). New impression. 274 x 201 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Here are the original eight stories from the 1697 volume Contes de temps passe by the great Charles Perrault (1628-1703) in a translation that retains the charming and unsentimental simplicity that has won Perrault a permanent position in French literature. These were among the earliest versions of some of our most familiar fairy tales (Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty, Little Red Riding Hood, Puss in Boots, and Tom Thumb) and are still among the few classic re-tellings of these perennial stories. In addition to the five well-known tales listed above, Perrault tells three others that are sure to delight any child or adult: The Fairies, a short and very simple tale of two sisters, one sweet and one spiteful; Ricky of the Tuft, a very unusual story of a brilliant but ugly prince and a beautiful but stupid princess; and Blue Beard, a suspense story perhaps more famous as a classic thriller than as a fairy tale. The witty verse morals that Perrault included in the original edition (often omitted in later reprintings) are retained...



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