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## Magnificat

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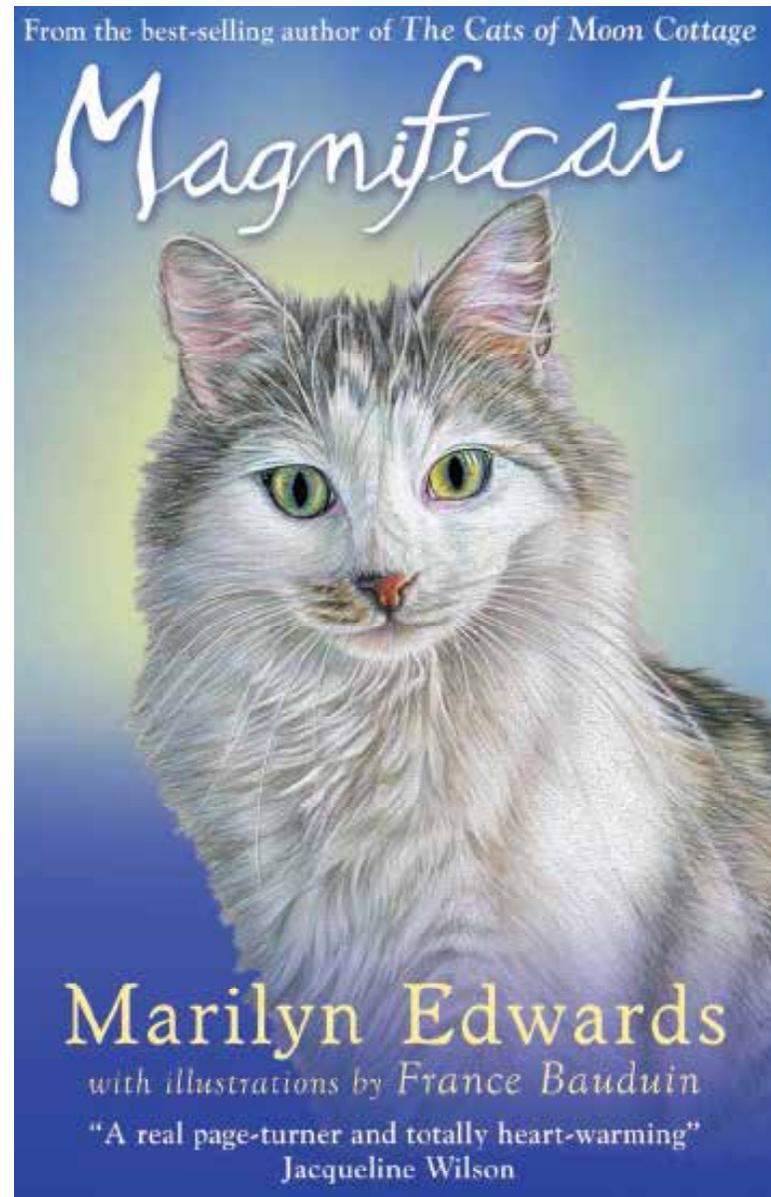
10+ Years

*The boy walked down the aisle and as he passed the cat he bent down and gently stroked her back with two fingers. In that second, Ben felt something akin to an electric shock. The cat stopped her grooming and looked up at him with large amber eyes. She had felt it too.*

Alone and afraid in an unfamiliar town, a little cat takes refuge in the local church. There she meets Ben, a boy hiding from problems at home.

Magnificat knows at once that Ben is special, but Ben doesn't want a cat - he's got enough to think about with his dad leaving and, besides, he's always been a dog man.

Slowly and surely the cat tries to find a place in Ben's heart, but just as he begins to let her in a shocking event threatens everything . . .



*"Edwards has a genuine feel for the interaction between humans and animals"*  
Sally Morris, Daily Mail

*"A smashing story, sure to inspire today's readers to become tomorrow's cat rescuers."* www.catchat.org

- ✦ Sister novel to *White Chin*, exploring the emotional relationship between humans and animals.
- ✦ Beautiful detailed chapterhead illustrations from animal portrait artist France Bauduin.
- ✦ Author active online with a huge, loyal fanbase.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Marilyn Edwards, dubbed the 'Queen of Cat Stories' by Jacqueline Wilson, is best known for her hugely successful and much-loved series, *The Cats of Moon Cottage* and *The Coach House Cats*. Her first children's novel, *White Chin*, was published by Catnip in 2010 and was described by LoveReading4Kids as 'a terrific animal adventure that pulls at the heart strings'. After a career in publishing Marilyn now lives in Cumbria and is available for interview and events.

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