

## ABOUT THE BOOK

From debut author Marta Lindsey, *Little Gray's Great Migration* is inspired by seasons of gray whales "showing off" as they traveled thousands of miles. For Little Gray, the lagoon is a happy place where he can demonstrate his talents for the visitors that come in boats each day. Mama feeds Little Gray and he has no worries until she announces that they must swim to a new special sea. Reluctantly Little Gray begins the long swim, and only after falling behind does he realize that Mama needs his help to make it to the new sea, and he must persevere.

*"Little Gray's Great Migration is the perfect story to inspire, entertain and educate young readers and budding scientists alike."*

*-Jennifer Ward, author of "I Love Dirt! 52 Activities to Help You and Your Kids Discover the Wonders of Nature"*

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## CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS

### *For Creative Minds*

Children will learn about gray whales as they swim with Mama and Little Gray on their big adventure. After reading the story dive deeper into fun facts about gray whales in the For Creative Minds nonfiction section that includes activities such as:

- Whale Surfacing
- Migration Map
- Whale Food

As a paired reading, cross-curricular text *Little Gray's Great Migration* fits perfectly into Common Core and Next Generation Science Standards for grades K-3. Exact standards alignment and a 15-30 page teaching activities guide are available on [Arbordalepublishing.com](http://Arbordalepublishing.com).

### *Classification Information*

Understanding that reading level alignment is important for classroom implementation, *Little Gray's Great Migration* has been assessed by the following organizations:

- Preliminary Atos: 3.4
- Flesch-Kincaid: 2.5
- Lexile®: 540
- Fountas and Pinnell®: M

Bisac Codes include: Juvenile Fiction

- JUV002160- Animals / Mammals
- JUV002170- Animals / Marine Life
- JUV029000-Nature and the Natural World

This book has been vetted for accuracy by Dr. Sarah Allen, marine scientist with the National Park Service's Ocean and Coastal Resources Program. .

# ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Marta Lindsey is a long-time volunteer at Point Reyes National Seashore, where visitors can spot gray whales on their annual migration. After years of watching gray whales and working in nonprofit organizations dedicated to conservation and sustainability, Marta has combined these interests in *Little Gray's Great Migration*. She hopes young readers will be inspired to learn about gray whales and the conservation efforts needed to protect whale populations around the world. This is her debut picture book. Marta lives in San Francisco with her husband and their daughter. Visit her website at [martalindsey.com](http://martalindsey.com).

# ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Award-winning artist Andrea Gabriel has worked as a professional illustrator for the past fifteen years. In addition to *Little Gray's Great Migration*, Andrea has illustrated *Where Do I Sleep?* and *Eaglet's World*. She is also the author and illustrator of *My Favorite Bear*. Andrea lives in Bellingham, Washington with her family of two-and four-legged creatures. Visit her website at [bigbearillustration.com](http://bigbearillustration.com).



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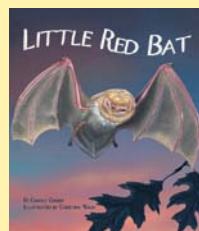


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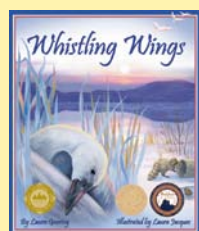
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#### LITTLE RED BAT

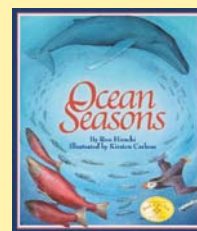
The seasons turn cold, and little red bat doesn't know what to do. Should she stay or should she go? Find out in this tale of a

young red bat's first winter.



#### WHISTLING WINGS

Marcel, a young tundra swan, is tired from the first half of a winter migration, so he decides to stay up north. He soon realizes he's not cut out for life on ice. What will he do?



#### OCEAN SEASONS

Seasons change in the ocean much as they do on land. In fanciful form, children learn about plants and animals that are joined through the

mix of seasons, food webs, and habitats beneath the waves.



#### ON THE MOVE

Many animals gather in huge numbers at predictable times and locations. Travel along with them as you learn about what puts these

animals On the Move.