



# The DINOSAUR DEPARTMENT STORE

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**Our feisty heroine Eliza Jane isn't your average child. Some called her wilful, some called her wild!**

*Instead of a fluffy bunny, Eliza Jane has her heart firmly set on a prehistoric pet. Join her and her family on a marvellous magical tour of their local dinosaur department store.*

*From huge, stomping sauropods stretching their necks to a pair of loved-up Ankylosaurs called Maud and Frank, there are plenty of amazing dinosaurs for Eliza Jane to choose from. But this wild child is hatching a mischievous plan of her own...*

- With the potential to inspire an interest in STEM fields such as paleontology (the study of dinosaurs) or protecting species in the wild (conservation), this really wild, fun and adventurous picture book encourages further learning through an introduction to dinosaur names and characteristics.
- The final page features fun 'selfies' of the dinosaurs mentioned in the text and a pronunciation guide to help children learn how to say their names.
- Using a witty rhyming text by picture book author Lily Murray and the rich and vivid art of bestselling illustrator Richard Merritt, this roaring tale will appeal to adventurous children everywhere.

**Lily Murray** is a freelance writer who has been writing and editing children's books for over 15 years. Her titles for Frances Lincoln Children's Books include *Hello, Hot Dog!*, *This Book is Magic* and *The People Awards*. Other recent titles include *Dinosaurium* for Big Picture Press and *World of Cities* for Walker Books. She studied English Literature at university and now lives in a cottage with two children, a heroic dog and a strange assortment of other animals.

**Richard Merritt**, born and bred in North London, has been an illustrator for over 10 years after graduating from Central Saint Martin's College of Art and Kingston University. He has worked with book and editorial publishing houses, advertising agencies and more, on varied projects from children's books to costume illustration for film. His books were at the forefront of the adult colouring craze (including the best-selling *Art Therapy* and *The Menagerie* series) and his bright, bold artwork brings these fang-toothed monsters to life.

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