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Tractor Mac New Friend



Synopsis

When a new red tractor named Daisy joins the team at Stony Meadow Farm, she has trouble adjusting to all of the different chores that must be done. She realizes that she has much to learn. Can she do all of the work on her own? Luckily, Tractor Mac and his friends chop, pull, haul, and drag alongside Daisy until she gets the hang of it. With the help of everyone on the farm, Daisy thinks she will fit right in!

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Customer Reviews

PreS-Gr 2 Although America has been transformed into a nation of city and suburban dwellers, children are still captivated by the idea of the small family farm. In Steers's popular series, readers can journey to a bucolic family farm, complete with a trusty tractor and talkative animal friends, and experience life without electronics, surrounded by bountiful nature. In *New Friend*, a small, new tractor named Daisy has arrived at the farm. She has been brought in by Farmer Bill to clear and plant the unused fields on Stony Meadow Farm—an area declared by Tractor Mac and his animal friends to be too small, too creepy, and too overgrown to work. As goat Walter succinctly tells Daisy, "Those weeds and vines will eat a small tractor like you!" Luckily for Daisy, she receives help clearing the field as well as advice from Tractor Mac: "Set small goals to reach your big goal." Like all of the "Tractor Mac" books, the story focuses on the importance of teamwork

and friendship, and the message is clearly presented. The detailed illustrations reflect the artist's love of country life and antique machinery. VERDICT A cheerful addition to transportation collections. —Sally James, South Hillsborough Elementary School, Hillsborough, CA

“Popular, practical life lessons abound as popular character Tractor Mac returns in this light, new selection for vehicle-loving listeners and readers . . . the cheerful pace, chirpy dialogue and satisfying ending are sure to please fans of the series.” —Kirkus

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I have two children, 3 and 5 years old. They both enjoy the Tractor Mac stories, and stay interested in them until the end. We purchased 3 hardcover books as a gift and are all excellent quality with great content that has wonderful messages like in this particular book Tractor Mac experiences the Farmer's daughter making a grown over feild her own. He finds new equipment that does not fit him and then he meets Daisy, the new small tractor on the farm that belongs to the farmers daughter. She sets small goals to get to a big one as she clears the overgrown feild. I loved this story just as much as my kids did. I found it alot of fun to read as well, giving each character its own voice. Doing a horse voice for Sibley the horse and whiney goat voice for the goat, it kept us all having fun!

Again, another great book from Steers and Tractor Mac! Our kids just love them all and ask to be read them, frequently. Our daughter was so excited when it arrived today. The grandparents love these books too, since they are full of substance and true to farming. I love the emphasis on hard work, perseverance, and joy that are prevalent in all the Tractor Mac books. This book is no exception. The author continues to add to the series with each addition, not rehashing story lines or becoming less interesting, as some series can do overtime. As in this book, regaining old pastures is no easy task, but with perseverance, anything is possible! Wow! What a great, hope filled message to give to kids, regardless of background or issues they may be struggling with. I would recommend these books to anyone.

Wondeful book! My almost 3 year old loves to read this - fairly durable also.

This new story is a little wordy for tractor mac books, but it is growing on us. We own the entire collection and my boys and girls equally prefer tractor mac books to be read or to read themselves over most other books in our extensive library. Good morals!

My son love love loves these books!!! He can't get enough! And I love the detail and pictures especially right inside the front cover.

My grandchildren LOVE this book! Sweet story; cute illustrations.

Another great Tractor Mac book for young boys that enjoy trucks, tractors, etc.

Grandson loves Tractor Mac. And I am rebuilding a "Daisy" tractor, so he is super in heaven.

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