

The Star Child, we are treated to the extravagance and dexterity of Wilde's exceptional wit, in stories that will appeal to both adults and children. Beautifully illustrated by Wilde's fellow decadent and aestheticist, the inimitable Aubrey Beardsley, this Macmillan Collector's Library edition of *The Happy Prince & Other Stories* also features an afterword by author David Stuart Davies. Designed to appeal to the booklover, the Macmillan Collector's Library is a series of beautiful gift editions of much loved classic titles. Macmillan Collector's Library are books to love and treasure.

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early in the spring as he was flying down the river after a big yellowmoth, and had been so attracted by her slender waist that he had stopped to talk to her.

Arguably the most famous and beloved of Oscar Wilde's nine fairy tales, this particular rendition stands apart from the others due to its brilliant illustrations by a master of comic art. After dying young, the Happy Prince's soul inhabits a beautiful ruby-encrusted statue covered in gold leaf which is perched high above the city. But when he sees the poverty, misery and desperateness of his people, he enlists the help of a barn swallow to remove the gilding of his statue and shower the riches on his people. In the spring, the townspeople are saved, but find only a stripped down and dull statue alongside a dead swallow. The remains are tossed into an ash heap, but an emissary of God recognizes their sacrifice, and escorts them into the gardens of Heaven. Perfect for middle school students as an introduction to the world-famous author, the dazzling illustrations in this book suit the timeless writings of Wilde.

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High above a city stands an ornate statue of the Happy Prince, recently deceased. He oversees the town and is pained by the suffering of his people. One night, a Swallow who had not gone to Egypt with his flock for the winter because he was pursuing a beautiful Reed arrives in the city and rests on the Happy Prince's statue. The Swallow notices the Prince is crying, and the Prince explains that during his lifetime, he had lived in a palace devoid of misery, and therefore had never experienced sorrow. Now, though, he can see the suffering of his people. He then asks the Swallow to distribute the gemstones and gold leaf from his form to various families in need. The Swallow loves the Prince and decides to stay. By the time winter arrives, though, the Happy Prince is stripped of all his beauty while the Swallow dies of the harsh cold. As a result, the Happy Prince's lead heart breaks. When the Mayor finds the statue in such a decrepit state, he decides to take it down, melt it, and make an ornate statue of himself. The lead heart and the dead swallow are discarded like they are nothing, but when God tells an Angel to bring Him the two most precious things in the city, the Angel brings him the dead bird and the lead heart.

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High above a city stands an ornate statue of the Happy Prince, recently deceased. He oversees the city and is pained by using the suffering of his humans. One night time, a Swallow who had not long past to Egypt along with his flock for the winter due to the fact he turned into pursuing a stunning Reed arrives within the city and rests at the Happy Prince's statue. The Swallow notices the Prince is crying, and the Prince explains that during his lifetime, he had lived in a palace without misery, and therefore had never experienced sorrow. Now, although, he can see the struggling of his people. He then asks the Swallow to distribute the gemstones and gold leaf from his shape to diverse families in need. The Swallow loves the Prince and comes to a decision to stay. By the time wintry weather arrives, although, the Happy Prince is stripped of all his splendor at the same time as the Swallow dies of the tough bloodless. As a result, the Happy Prince's lead heartbreaks. When the Mayor finds the statue in one of these decrepit state, he makes a decision to take it down, soften it, and make an ornate statue of himself. The lead coronary heart and the lifeless swallow are discarded like they're not anything, but when God tells an Angel to bring Him the 2 most precious things inside the city, the Angel brings him the dead bird and the lead heart. The Selfish Giant When the Selfish Giant returns from a seven-year go to with the Cornish Ogre, he's furious to find twelve youngsters gambling in his beautiful lawn. Angered with the aid of their presence, he builds a wall and places up a word saying "TRESPASSERS WILL BE PROSECUTED." This causes his belongings to fall into an undying iciness; no bushes develop and spring and summer time by no means come.

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A beautifully illustrated retelling of Oscar Wilde's classic story THE HAPPY PRINCE AND OTHER TALES Love, Love, Love...Love Is Selfless. Oscar Wilde the author of The Happy Prince and other tales, takes us on a fruitful journey full of wonderful lessons. The greatest lesson in these tales is selflessness. Selflessness has been portrayed as a sign of deep love for others. Wilde has demystified love in great detail in all the four tales. He has vividly created a mental picture which is very clear for all to show great love for our friends. The author in the tale of the Happy Prince shows how unhappy the prince has become after seeing the suffering of the poor. It is out of love that he asks the swallow to pluck his jewel eyes and give to the poor. Also, he requests the swallow to pluck gold leaf from his body and give it out also. Wilde shows us that even after offering all he could to the poor when his body was not appealing anymore his statue was demolished. The town did not need him anymore. In the tale of Nightingale and the Rose, Nightingale selflessly sacrifices her life for love. She pricks herself by a thorn and bleeds to death to give a young man a red rose to give to her lover. Even after all this, the lover rejected the boy who offered her red roses to follow another

who gives her jewels. Wilde in the tale of The Selfish Giant also displays unending love that the giant was taught by the children and it is for that reason that he was given a place in heaven after his death. Also in the Tale of the devoted friend, Wilde has displayed selfless love by Hans over his selfish friend Miller. Lastly, in the Tale of the Remarkable Rocket, the rocket is pompous and full of himself and he never gets to learn the lesson of being selfless and loving others. Oscar Wilde is the author of The Happy Prince and, other tales. He is a playwright, poet and author of various short stories and one novel.

Presents nine fairy tales by the noted 19th-century Irish author, including "The Selfish Giant," "The Happy Prince," and "The Birthday of the Infanta."

The story of "The Happy Prince" has three major themes. Firstly it shows that apparent beauty is nothing and the real beauty is to bestow love and sacrifice. Secondly, it discusses that love and sacrifice are two saving forces. Thirdly, it shows that there is a large gap between rich and poor people the rulers and the masses. When the happy prince is alive he lives a happy life without sorrows, he is living a care free life but after his death he sees through a tall Column that life has another view except happiness and that is helplessness poverty, hypocrisy and corruption of elite and ruling class. When a bird swallow comes and stays under the feet of prince he begs for his help match girl, poor writer... The Happy Prince " has been written in fairy tale mode through which he has exposed the exploitation, materialism and corruption of Victorian society. The Happy Prince is social satire prudence says that "the true purpose of satire is the modification of vices by correction". It was first published in 1888 in the anthology The Happy Prince and Other Tales, which, in addition to its title story, also includes "The Nightingale and the Rose", "The Devoted Friend", "The Selfish Giant" and "The Remarkable Rocket".

The happy prince is a contemporary fairytale whose plot is surreal and it is placed into a modern society with real problems. Oscar Wilde tried to state in a simple way the virtues and flaws of a person in all of his fairy tales and tried to criticize the society which is insensible. The main character knew only about nice things and after that, he decided to open his lead heart to everyone in need. When he helped them he didn't regret about the decorations taken down from him and he keeps on doing noble things with the help of a swallow. The swallow was the proof that everyone can do selfless things even though they would maybe be risking their lives. His love and devotion were rewarded with an eternal life

A fairy tale of the friendship between the Happy Prince and a little swallow who alights at his feet ; Picture fiction for older readers__

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