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A PICNIC IN THE SUN

BERTIE AND FRIENDS HIT THE ROAD

Story and songs by Christian Duchesne and Jérôme Minière

Illustrations by Marianne Ferrer

Narration by Mischa Cheeseman

Performances by Clerel and Geneviève Toupin

An imaginative musical tale, comprised of a narrated story interspersed with 18 original and traditional songs, follows four inseparable friends who love to play together. Bertie and his buddies never ever get bored with each other... except for the time when it rained for four straight weeks! That's when they decided to repair an old boat and head for dryer lands, a sunny place atop the Blue Mountain. With a little help from their newly made animal friends, they finally make it to the summit, the best place in the whole world to have a picnic!

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AUTHOR Christiane Duchesne is the author of more than 80 children's books. She is a two-time winner of the Governor General's Literary Award in Canada and a finalist for the Hans Christian Andersen Award, among many others.

COMPOSER Jérôme Minière has released more than a dozen albums, including *Le vrai le faux* (winner of the prestigious Belgian prize Le Prix Rapsat-Lelièvre) and *Petit Cosmonaute* (winner of a Felix Award, the equivalent of a Grammy in French-speaking Canada).

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