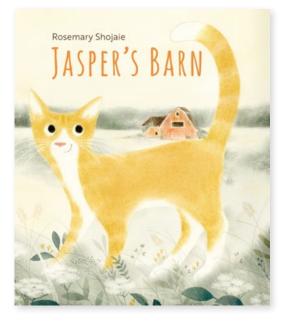
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## Jasper's Barn

By (artist) Rosemary Shojaie

Jasper the cat is angry when Elsa the owl comes to live in his barn and hunting ground, until they become allies and friends.

Jasper the barn cat loves his hunting ground and territory, the old, abandoned barn at the edge of the forest. When Elsa the owl moves in unexpectedly, Jasper is forced to share and learns to work with someone else. Accompanied by soft watercolor-style illustrations with a soft, muted color palette.

**Rosemary Shojaie** is an illustrator who is fascinated and inspired by chance meetings, memory, the passage of time, and the natural world. She especially loves the long, snowy winters of upstate New York, where she lives. She attended the University of Rochester and received her MA in Children's Book Illustration from the Cambridge School of Art, in England. This is her first picture book.

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