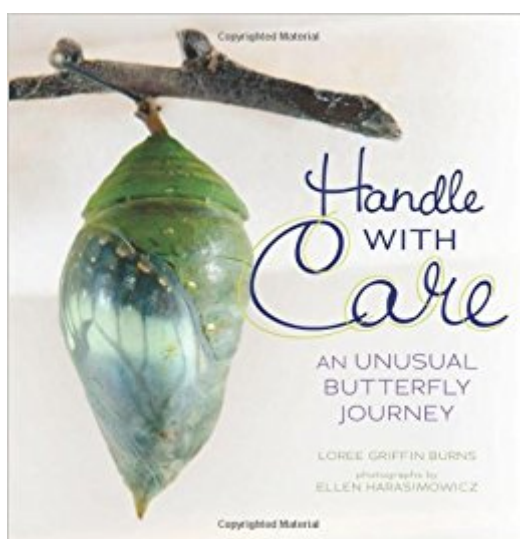


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# Handle With Care: An Unusual Butterfly Journey (Nonfiction - Grades Prek-4) (Junior Library Guild Selection)



## Synopsis

"Some farms grow vegetables or grains, and some raise cows, sheep, chickens, or pigs. But have you ever heard of a butterfly farm? How do you raise a butterfly? On a farm in Costa Rica, workers care for these delicate, winged creatures as they change from eggs to caterpillars to pupae. Like any other crop, the butterflies will eventually leave the farm. But where will they go? And just how do you ship a butterfly? Very carefully! To discover how it works, follow these butterflies on a remarkable journey!"

## Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

Grade Level: 1 - 5

## Customer Reviews

Gr 1-4 "Burns focuses first on the life of the blue morpho butterfly at the El Bosque Nuevo butterfly farm in Costa Rica and concludes with its a final destination, the Museum of Science in Boston. Bold statements emphasize the details of the expedition through punchy phrases. "Sturdy and tightly sealed, these ingenious packages are ready to travel." Factual back matter further supports the story. Additional information appears in the section "Insects and Their Life Cycles," which discusses the process of metamorphosis. Crisp, full-page photographs capture each impressive stage of the butterfly's journey. Vocabulary is clearly defined within the text, and

the glossary explains scientific terms used within the narrative. At the end, the author notes that she and the photographer visited the Costa Rican greenhouse to capture this amazing process. This fascinating topic, rarely featured for a young audience, offers an accessible, visual delight.â€”Meg Smith, Cumberland County Public Library, Fayetteville, NC

This colorful book takes readers to a butterfly pupa farm in Costa Rica. Captured and taken to greenhouses, varieties of caterpillars eat, grow, and molt. When they grow larger, the caterpillars are transferred to screened cabinets and supplied with fresh leaves until they become pupae. Some are kept to develop into butterflies and later released into the nearby forest. Other pupae are sorted, wrapped, packed into special boxes, and sent to places such as Bostonâ€™s Museum of Science. Appended pages discuss the life cycles of insects and the varied names for the stages of insect development. Using proper terminology, Burns writes clearly about the butterflyâ€™s life cycle. For libraries overstocked with books on monarch butterflies, the blue morpho butterfly is often used as an example here. Throughout the book, crisp, nicely composed photos offer excellent views of the butterflies, people, and places mentioned. This will particularly interest children who have visited exhibits of live, tropical butterflies in conservatories and museums. Grades 2-4. --Carolyn Phelan

There are many different kinds of farms out there, but this is the first time I've heard of butterfly farms. It makes a great deal of sense that there would be such a thing, I've just never thought about it before now. This book beautifully describes what happens on a Costa Rican butterfly farm, how the butterflies are raised and transported to places around the world. The photographs do a wonderful job of illustrating what the author is describing. The extra information at the end is very useful, explaining the insect life cycle in terms of butterflies, beetles, and flies. The reference lists and glossary also make this a great resource as well as the link to further resources from the publisher. A wonderful book that would be very useful in teaching children about the life cycle of butterflies.

This book, while a departure from Burns' traditional materials for older grades, offers the amazing photography and in-depth analysis expected from a Burns / Harasimowicz work. Readers both young and old will be exposed to the story of the harvesting of butterflies for public exhibition. This work will satisfy the needs of younger readers, and pique the needs of older readers. An excellent work!

this book is perfect for children or adults that enjoy nature and appreciate excellent photography....informative text about raising butterflies commercially

Another fantastic read from Ms. Burns. My children all enjoyed the book. The photographs are amazing and the information imparted is done in a very engaging manner. Highly recommended

Worth the price. A super book.

Great photos.

Beautiful book for my 6 years old.

This book describes for kids the lifecycle of a butterfly while depicting a butterfly farm in Costa Rica. The photographs in this book could honestly be framed and hung in a gallery. They are just incredible really. Any kid (or adult) with a love of nature would pour over this book again and again to see the photographs within. I can think of no other children's book recently with photographs nearly as nice as these. The text? Well, it is just okay. There is not anything wrong with it, but it doesn't stand out to me either. And that is okay. It is factual and informative, but really is just backup to our star player the photography. This book is ideal for a kid who doesn't like reading I would think. In addition to photography, there is a simple lifecycle of the butterfly diagram, a map and glossary, further reading recommendations and website. This is a gem for early elementary kids for sure. I give it 4 stars overall, 3 stars for the content of the text and 5+++++ stars for the photography in this one. I received an electronic copy of this book via Netgalley for an honest review.

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