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## Farmer in the Dell [The]

By Ilse PLUME.

David R. Godine, USA, 2010. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 1st Paperback Edition. 32pp Full colour throughout. [In stock in Australia, for immediate delivery] Paperback edition of a favourite children's book! The farmer in the dell, The farmer in the dell, Heigh-ho the derry-o, The farmer in the dell. The timeless circle-game The Farmer in the Dell' is one of the first that American children learn to play, and its happy, lilting song is among the first they learn to sing. Here the celebrated picture-book artist Ilse Plume has imagined a fresh and very American setting for the lyrics - a farmstead in the Pennsylvania Dutch country. A young Amish farmer takes a wife, the beautiful wife takes a child, the child takes a nurse, the nurse takes a dog, and with each successive verse the seasons turn, the farmer grows older, and his farm grows more prosperous, more lively, more richly populated. Ms. Plume's coloured-pencil drawings are inspired by the folk art and decorative motifs of the Pennsylvania Dutch. They are as comforting as a star-patterned quilt, and as sweet, warm, and delightful as a homemade apple pie. Includes sheet music, lyrics, and directions for playing the game. [Plume] puts an Amish...



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