



Jessie and the Dolphins

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Jessie and the Dolphins is a delightful children's story about a five year old fisherman's daughter who wants her father to take her to sea on his boat. Her father says that a fishing boat is much too dangerous for a little girl, and she can go with him when she is older and bigger. But Jessie cannot wait and on the next fishing trip she hides very quietly on deck behind a coil of rope. However, things go horribly wrong for poor Jessie and drama unfolds when she finds herself struggling in the water. Happily, she is rescued by three dolphins and safely returned to the beach. The unusual illustrations are hand crafted collage pictures consisting of a variety of fabrics and textures. The author has used patchwork and applique techniques to create wonderfully evocative pictures which have an almost three-dimensional effect. **Jessie and the Dolphins** is a work of art as well as a children's story and will be loved and treasured by children and parents alike.

Tatjana Tekkel studied sculpture at art college, and became passionate about American quilts following a visit to the USA. She has exhibited her own quilts and textile collage pictures in various galleries in the south of England. Her love of the fabric medium and American folk art inspired her first children's book, *Harry, Sidney and the Egg*, which received enthusiastic press reviews. To create the effects she wants in her pictures she often dyes her own fabrics, using a mono print process. She is married with two sons, and lives in Devon.