



The Square Book of Animals

By (artist) William Nicholson

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William Nicholson was still in his twenties when he started working on books for the publisher William Heinemann that combined a hugely powerful woodcut style with peerlessly precise observation and sly humor. **The Square Book of Animals** brings together a collection of 12 beasts drawn with Nicholson's sweeping line and unerring eye for the lively detail. The text is by Arthur Waugh, the father of Evelyn Waugh. A great classic of British book illustration, unavailable for decades. Published simultaneously with two other works *An Alphabet* and *The Book of Blokes*.

Sir William Newzam Prior Nicholson (1872–1949) was one of the most talented and versatile painters ever to work in Britain. A creator of astonishingly precise and delicate still lives, and of some of the most penetrating portraits of the century, he also pioneered a vigorous style of woodcut illustration that remains unequalled for its strength and subtlety. His son was the painter Ben Nicholson.

