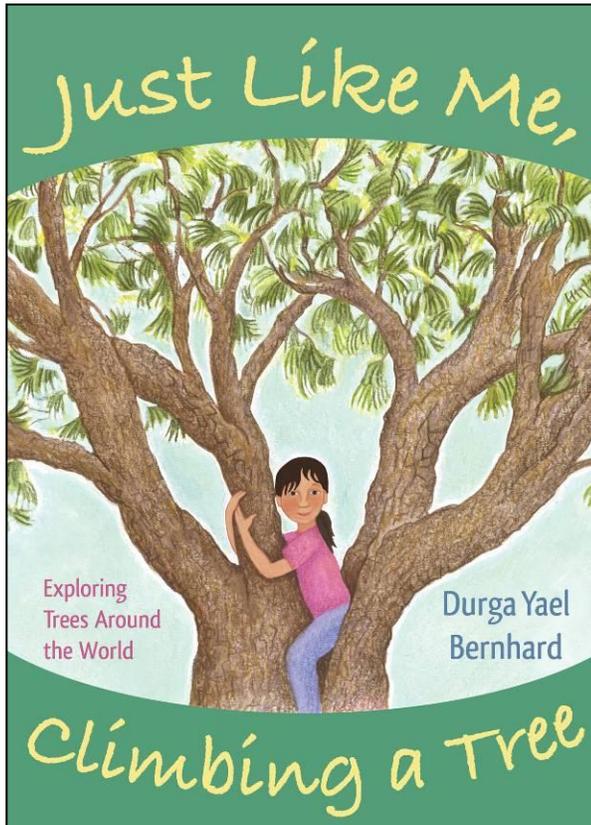


# *Just Like Me, Climbing a Tree: Exploring Trees Around the World*

*Written & Illustrated by Durga Yael Bernhard*



If you were climbing a tree, just what might you see? Birds or animals or insects? Would you swing like a monkey? Or pick the ripest fruit straight from the branch? Join award-winning author and illustrator, Durga Yael Bernhard, on a trip around the world to climb its weirdest and most wonderful trees. No matter if you are in Africa, Asia, Europe, or America, there is a grand adventure waiting for you—provided you have a tree to climb in your neighborhood!

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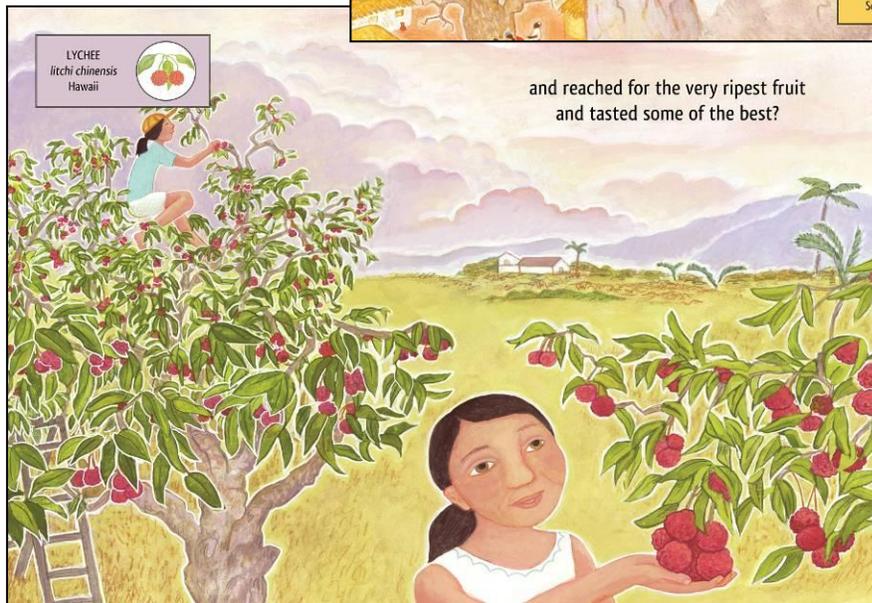
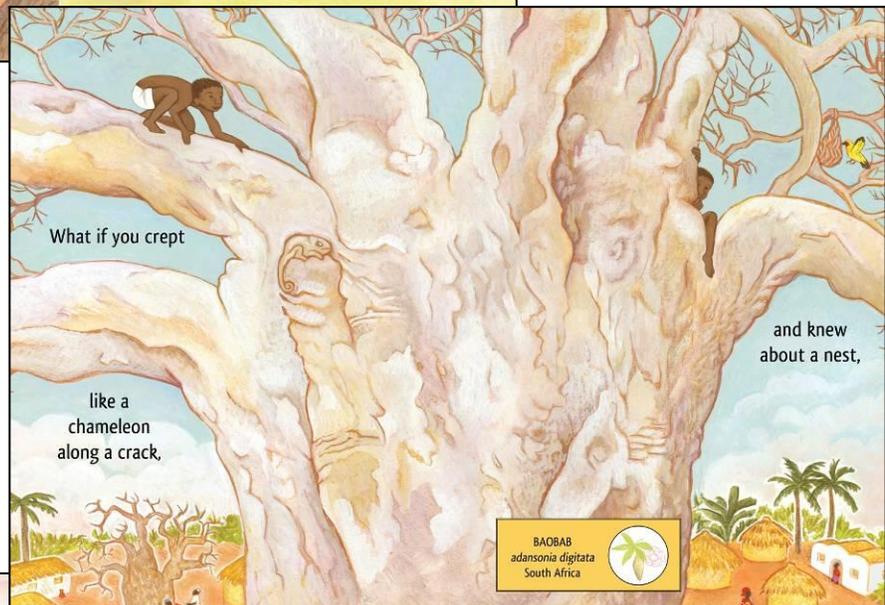
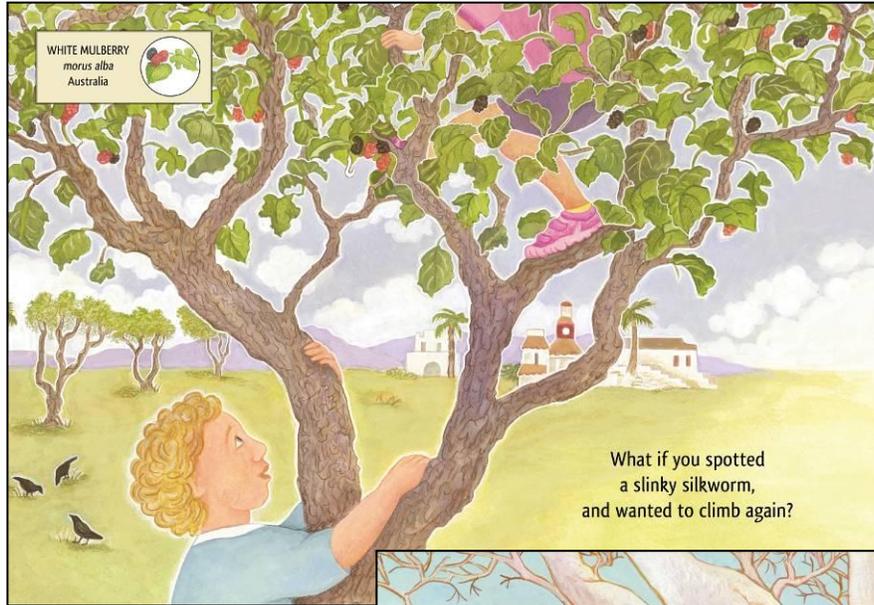
- ❖ This book is about the fun activity of climbing trees, while offering a subtle lesson on multiculturalism.
  - ❖ It describes 12 distinctive trees from across the globe and the local children that climb them.
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- ❖ A song was written about this book and sung by award-winning children's performer Story Laurie (Laurie McIntosh). It can be downloaded at [www.storylaurie.com/just-like-me](http://www.storylaurie.com/just-like-me).
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## About the Author & Illustrator



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