

Henry the Impatient Heron

By Donna Love

Illustrated by Christina Wald

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“Young readers are going to enjoy this story because, like Henry, they are likely to understand firsthand the difficulty of staying still. In a world that's go go go, and full of instant gratification opportunities, learning to be patient can be one major struggle. It's such an important lesson to learn though, and Love's story does a great job of portraying both the negatives and positives of patience.” — *Ready Set Read Reviews*

“Donna Love's story is perfect for any child who is antsy or has difficulty being still, and Christina Wald's magnificent illustrations manage to portray Henry's impatience against the serenity of his surroundings. A wonderful read aloud and information book for everyone.”- *IRA Reading Today*

“Children will see themselves in Henry and enjoy this story of discovery and growth.”- *The Reading Tub*

Henry the Heron couldn't stand still!

He was always moving, and it drove everyone crazy! His brother and sister yelled at him for stepping on their heads, and Mom and Dad could barely get food into his little baby mouth. But herons have to stand still to catch their food, so how would Henry ever be able to eat on his own? In *Henry, the Impatient Heron*, Donna Love takes readers along with Henry as he learns a valuable lesson from the King of Camouflage! Hilarious and lighthearted illustrations by Christina Wald complement the important lesson in the text. It is a meaningful lesson for both herons and kids alike, which teaches the importance of just being still!

The “For Creative Minds” educational section includes:

- Great Blue Heron Facts
- How Did Henry Hunt?
- Heron Life Cycle Matching Activity

There are also “**Related Websites**,” “**Interactive Quizzes**,” and “**Teaching Activities**” on Sylvan Dell Publishing's website, www.SylvanDellPublishing.com, to help parents and educators expand the learning possibilities! Thanks to Cathy Wakefield, Conservation Education Coordinator, Nature Conservancy, Mad Island Marsh Preserve, and Susan Bonfield, Executive Director, Environment for the Americas and International Migratory Bird Day, for verifying the accuracy of the information in this book.

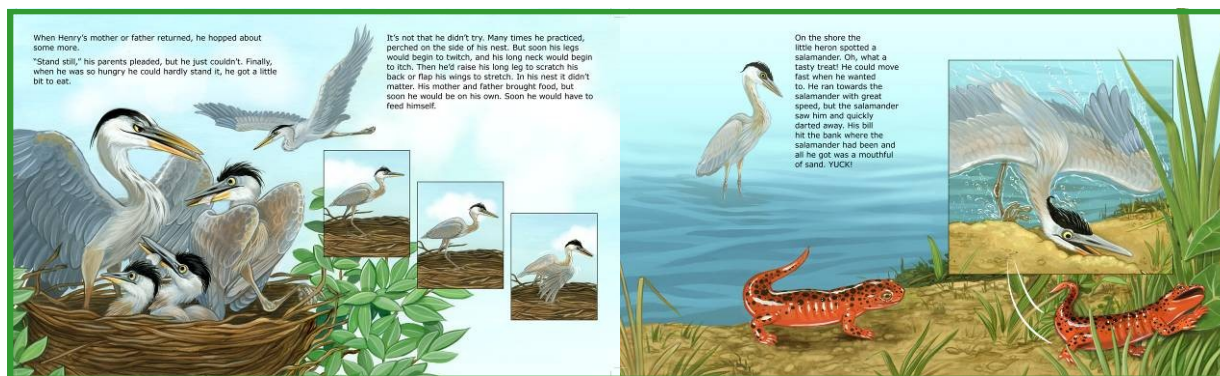


About the Author and Illustrator

Donna Love is an award-winning author who lives in Montana, where her husband is a district ranger in the Lolo National Forest. Two of their three children are now in college. Donna's first books include *Loons*, *Diving Birds of the North*, and *Awesome Ospreys*, *Fishing Birds of the World*. *Awesome Ospreys* became a Skipping Stones Press Honor Award Winner in 2006, for promoting ecological understanding and cooperation around the world. With a background in art education, Donna substitute teaches at the elementary and high school level. Throughout her years as a substitute and while raising her own children, she found she had a gift for explaining nature to children. With the help of *Henry the Impatient Heron*, she hopes to share that gift with others, tuning children into nature and science through literature. Visit her website at <http://www.donnalove.com> for more information!



Christina Wald has illustrated for a wide variety of toys, games, books, and magazines. From a book that featured hundreds of animals on each page (*Look, Find, and Learn: Animals of the World*) to games including the Star Wars role playing game series, every assignment covers something new and exciting. In recent years, she has illustrated tons (literally) of different animals for books and other publications. From herons to horses, she says that each new book is a fascinating new learning experience and the research is an integral part of the process of creating illustrations. For *Little Red Bat*, she visited a couple in Ft. Wayne, Indiana who rescue bats of many species. Luckily, they had a red bat family (a mother and three babies) that they were preparing to release back into the wild. She lives in Ohio with her husband and two geriatric cats. When not illustrating, she enjoys movies, travel, and reading. Visit Christina's website, <http://www.christinawald.com>.



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