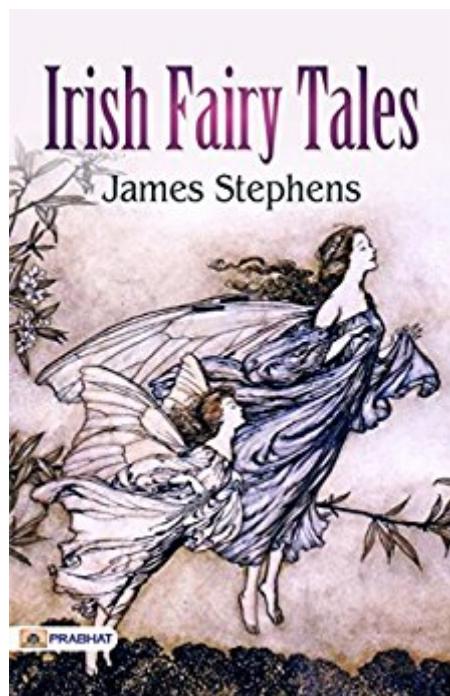


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Irish Fairy Tales



Synopsis

First published in the year 1920, 'Irish Fairy Tales' is a collection of enchanting, magical and mystical Irish folk tales. It is collected by James Stephens.

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Customer Reviews

This was more a book of Faerie Tales than one of Fairy Tales--instead of Cinderella-like maidens being rescued by princes and aided by fairy godmothers, there are the shi' of Faery who mingle with the humans for mischief and pleasure, although often the humans manage both of those quite well on their own. Most of the tales deal with Fionn the son of Uail, and his life and times. They are well-written and witty, and captured my attention. The first story, though. The first story was boring, uninteresting and had nothing to do with Fionn (although I admit I had no idea who he was when I read it). It was about Tuan, the son of Cairill and how he started as one of Noah's grandsons, and then after achieving old age, managed to be reborn as every notable creature that inhabits Ireland. It was...not a great start to this otherwise wonderful book, and I was expecting the worst after reading it, so I was very pleasantly surprised to find that the rest of the stories were actually interesting. There's a few typo-esque mistakes from the scanning, but nothing to cry about, there's a

table of contents that isn't as useful as it wants to be (it's a chart, and you can't see the whole thing at once), and there are no illustrations (are you still expecting those from a kindle?), but otherwise the book is sound. Stories included are: The Story of Tuan mac Cairill The Boyhood of Fionn The Birth of Bran Oisin's Mother The Wooing of Bechola The Little Brawl at Allen The Enchanted Cave of Cesh Corran Becuma of the White Skin Mongan's Frenzy (which has VENOMOUS SHEEP in it)

Traditional Irish Fairy Tales is a collection of ten stories from Ireland. They are all dreadfully dry and boring. There is no key for pronunciation of the names (some of which are very difficult to figure out). I did not enjoy it, nor did my 8-year-old who was assigned to read it for school. I do not recommend this book.

This book is poorly produced, with businesslike type that doesn't match the subject matter. As to that, I was disappointed. I expected something all together more magical, but the prose fell flat on its face.

Very well written if somewhat quaint. Could be titled "Irish Fairy Short Stories," as these "tales" much more fleshed out than the usual fairy tale format.

read it to my grandchildren, they love it

Good book as expected

Good read.

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