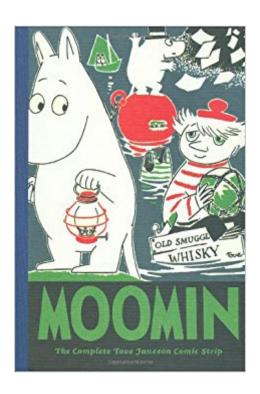


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# Moomin: The Complete Tove Jansson Comic Strip - Book Three (Bk. 3)





## **Synopsis**

Moomin has been swiftly making its way into the hearts of North Americans ever since Drawn & Quarterly began collecting the strip in 2006. It debuted in the London Evening News in 1954 and has become the fastest-selling D+Q series to date. Fifty years ago, Tove Jansson's observations of everyday life-whimsical but with biting undertones-easily caught the attention of an international audience and still resonate today. This third volume returns to Moominvalley, where its beloved inhabitants get tangled up in five new stories. Moomin falls in love with a damsel in distress, an unseasonably warm spell turns the valley into a tropical rain forest, and a flying saucer crashes into Moominmamma's garden. Moominpappa decides to live out his dream of occupying a lighthouse and writing a great seaside novel, only to discover that he hates the sea so close up and has no interest in writing about it, and a variety of curious clubs spring up in the valley. Moomin and Moominmamma do their level best to avoid the whole mess but, of course, get drawn into the muddle.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

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## Customer Reviews

Grade 10 Upâ "Moomin, the appealing hippolike troll, and his family and friends are back. This volume features characters from the author's well-known children's books in five short, amusingly chaotic adventures, including an errant Martian spaceship crashing in Moomin's garden, Moomin

and his family moving into a haunted lighthouse, and Moomin's levelheaded and practical Moominmama joining a gang of burglars. The stories are fast moving and humorous, but also bring up thought-provoking questions such as What is romantic love? and Is it better to have security or freedom? Jansson's expressive line drawings give the Moomin family, as well as other characters like Stinky the burglar and Moomin's neighbor Mrs. Fillyjonk, unique personalities. Teens will enjoy the whimsical characters and appreciate the exploration of human nature and society through the eyes of another species.â "Sandy Schmitz, Berkeley Public Library, CA Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

The third collection of Moomintroll family comic strips contains five stories. Although they proceed in tripartitioned rectangles (stacked four on a page), reflecting their original newspaper format, their narrative flow doesnâ ™t stutter a bit. Itâ ™s as if they were conceived as wholes, despite their story linesâ ™ essential capriciousness. In them, the family faces flood, Martians, lighthouse-keeping, and club life (clubs were big in the newly leisured 1950s, the stripâ ™s era, to which it otherwise gives scant notice), and Moomin, the young male character, falls briefly for a siren. Theyâ ™re keenly delightful, like Wind in the Willows for adults, especially those who arenâ ™t too adult. --Ray Olson

My kids love the entire Moomin Comic Series. They bring at least one of them wherever we go.

I read these whimsical, carefully cafted comicstrips as a kid, way back in the seventies in the Dutch newspaper "De Volkskrant" and the strange atmosphere intrigued me. Drawn in a very distinctive, clear line, the stories leasurely meander through the loose plots. Reading Moomin brings you in a relaxed state of mind. Read a story every night before bedtime and you're guaranteed to have pleasant dreams.

My kids love Moomins, and the comic strips have been so engaging for both of them, a 7 year old boy and a 12 year girl. I love sharing my favorite childhood fictional characters with my children, and finding that they find them every bit as endearing as I did!

This book keeps my 6 year old son occupied for hours. The Moomins are wonderful.

Moomintroll is finally growing up a bit, falling in love, facing the Moominvalley version of global

warming, meeting Martians and having an adventure at sea - and of course, the ever demanding Stinky shows up again.

Recipient loved these books (bought 1, 2 and 3). The books are larger than I expected, in a good way. The covers are beautiful, colorful and textured. The comics inside are all black and white comics, so I don't recommend these for young children.

Wonderful series of books and strips.

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