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book: **Farm Grandma's Surprise**

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The next book in the series introduces all the animals in the Farm Grandma Tales world

“Farm Grandma's Surprise” is the second story in the series of books that is planned for the newly created Farm Grandma Tales enterprise. The author Myra Christensen uses as a source of inspiration her actual experiences with raising animals on her farm. The young reader will be captivated with tales of talking animals who face challenges with humor and heart. She has spent many years in the wonderful world of children having raised five children who are all raising grandchildren who call her Farm Grandma.

For this book the author uses the addition of a new animal on the farm to introduce all of the farm animals that will be featured in her many upcoming stories. To begin development on this story, Myra first provided a list of all the animals with their actual pictures and their personality characteristics to the artist Patricia. Patricia worked to create a portfolio with a portrait of each animal that would faithfully portray each personality.

The story opens with Farm Grandma doing morning chores and as she visits each of the animals she tells them the exciting news that tomorrow she will have a surprise for them. The next day when Farm Grandma does not come out early with the surprise, the animals decide that they can wait no longer and decide on a plan that will get her to come! The illustrations continue the tradition of bright and beautiful scenery with engaging animal characters.

The Farm Grandma Tales book series is working to release two to three books a year for the enjoyment of young readers. For 2023

- the first book in the series was “Uproar the Helpful Bull” (January release),
- this next book “Farm Grandma's Surprise” (July release),
- and the upcoming book “Chloe Finds a Friend” (November release).

A list of book titles with summaries, videos, and links to retail stores can be found at Myra's website at [FarmGrandmaTales.com](http://FarmGrandmaTales.com). A media kit with general information and a kit for each book are also found on the Press page of the website.

The book “Farm Grandma's Surprise” is a full sized 11x8.5 inch, beautifully illustrated picture book available in hardcover and paperback. It is distributed by IngramSpark and is available at common book retail outlets with average prices being \$26.95 for hardcover and \$17.95 for paperback.

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