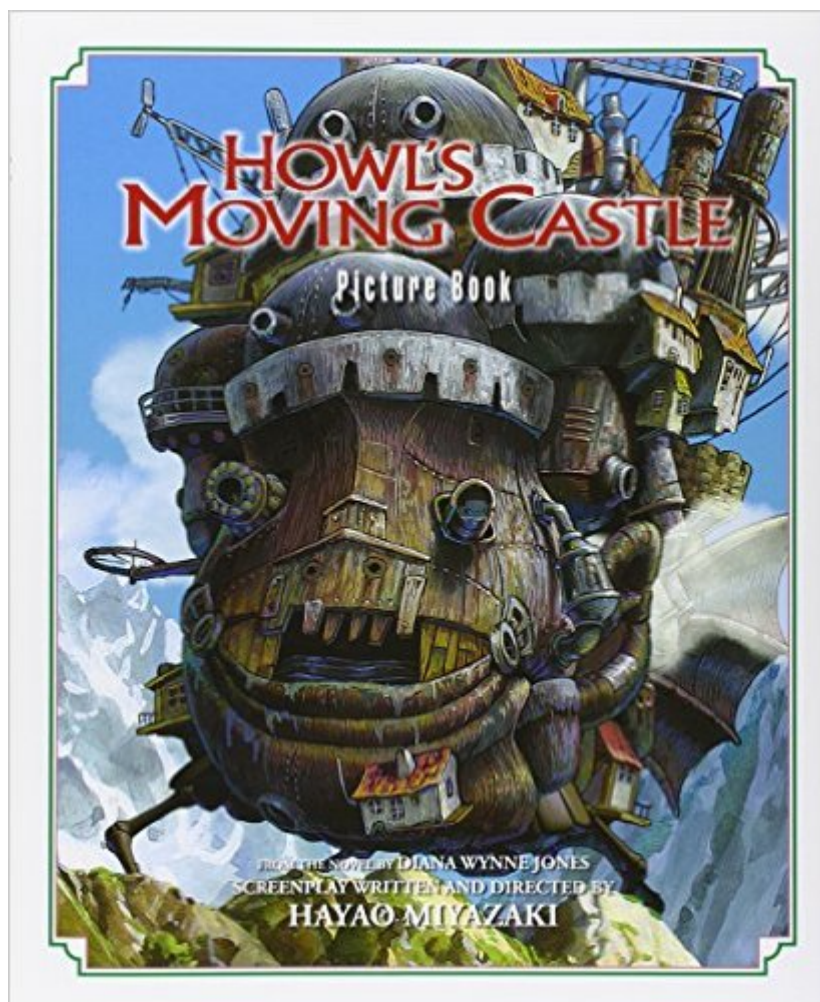


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# Howl's Moving Castle Picture Book



## Synopsis

Director Hayao Miyazaki is a master storyteller and his films have all become classics of animation. There's no better way to preserve the magic of Howl and his flying castle than by adding this volume to your home library.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 11 - 14 years

Grade Level: 6 - 9

## Customer Reviews

I saw the movie, Howl's Moving Castle, and then saw the picture book advertised. As I am a teacher-librarian in a high school, I decided to buy the book to put in the school library. I found the pictures bright and eye-catching, and I knew that our students do a study of picture books in English in their senior years. The castle also links very strongly to the story of Baba Yaga, whose house was on chicken feet, although it was a much darker abode. One of the seniors has reserved the book already, so I think my decision has been vindicated. Also, the book is much more appealing than the text version, although the text version does explain some of what happens to Sophie. I highly recommend this book.

My daughter and I are ardent fans of Hayao Miyazaki's animated features and we have amassed quite a collection of both the DVDs and also the picture books. Howl's Moving Castle takes viewers into a fantastical world of magic and fairy tale-like settings. A young girl, Sophie works in her

mother's hat shop, leading an ordinary, uneventful existence until one fateful evening when she is visited by the Witch of the Waste. Sophie inadvertently offends the witch who transforms her into a very old woman. Horrified by her appearance, Sophie embarks on a quest to undo the spell and begins an amazing adventure. She meets many interesting characters - there's a strange scarecrow with human-like instincts; Markl, Howl's young apprentice; Heen, a cute wheezing dog; Calcifer, a sort of fire demon; and of course, Howl, a young and reckless wizard. Through her adventures, Sophie learns that she has much untapped potential, and gradually sheds her insecurities and low self-esteem. There's plenty in this enchanting story to captivate readers young and old - romance, magic, and lots of adventure! The illustrations contain many of the animation found in the feature film. The text captures the essence of the storyline and my seven-year-old was thrilled to be able to read the story independently. A great companion book to the movie.

A great movie companion book, but really, if you are in love with the movie, please read the original book by Diana Wynne Jones *Howl's Moving Castle*, or really the whole series, her fantasy is even more amazing and intriguing than the Miyazaki movie. This book is full of pictures, set up with minimal text like a graphic novel. My 2 year old and 11 year old love this all the same, and love having the stills of the movie to look through all the details in the artwork. Fairly heavy, and high quality all around. Would be a great gift.

This is an incredible book. *Howl's Moving Castle* is my favorite movie of all time!!!! This book follows every scene and detail of the movie, it's like watching it through the book! Excellent price for an excellent product.

This is a beautifully illustrated retelling of the movie. My 6 and 2 year old love all of this line of book. This is the movie simplified and illustrated. It has words but not too many which makes it good for kids learning to read like mine.

I love the movie and I heard that there was a book so I found this one. It was way bigger than I thought it would be.. thickness not like gigantic but I figured it would be just like a 19 page kids book. But it's better than that. Great color and pics. Nice description of characters in the beginning of the book and wonderful full story.

Cute and colorful for all ages. The pages are durable enough and captures the most important

moments in the film making it visually pleasing. The book is great and really speaks for itself. Excellent as a gift. Must have for all fans as well :)

My daughter and I love this movie and we must have borrowed it from the library at least five times, so I thought it'd be nice to let some other people enjoy it for a change. I was going to buy the dvd, but then I stopped to consider my husband might want to have a little break from this particular movie. Lol. The book is just as amazing as the movie! It's like being able to watch any scene of the movie anytime you want. My daughter reads it at least two or three times a week, still! We love it and recommend anyone who likes the movie to get the book.

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