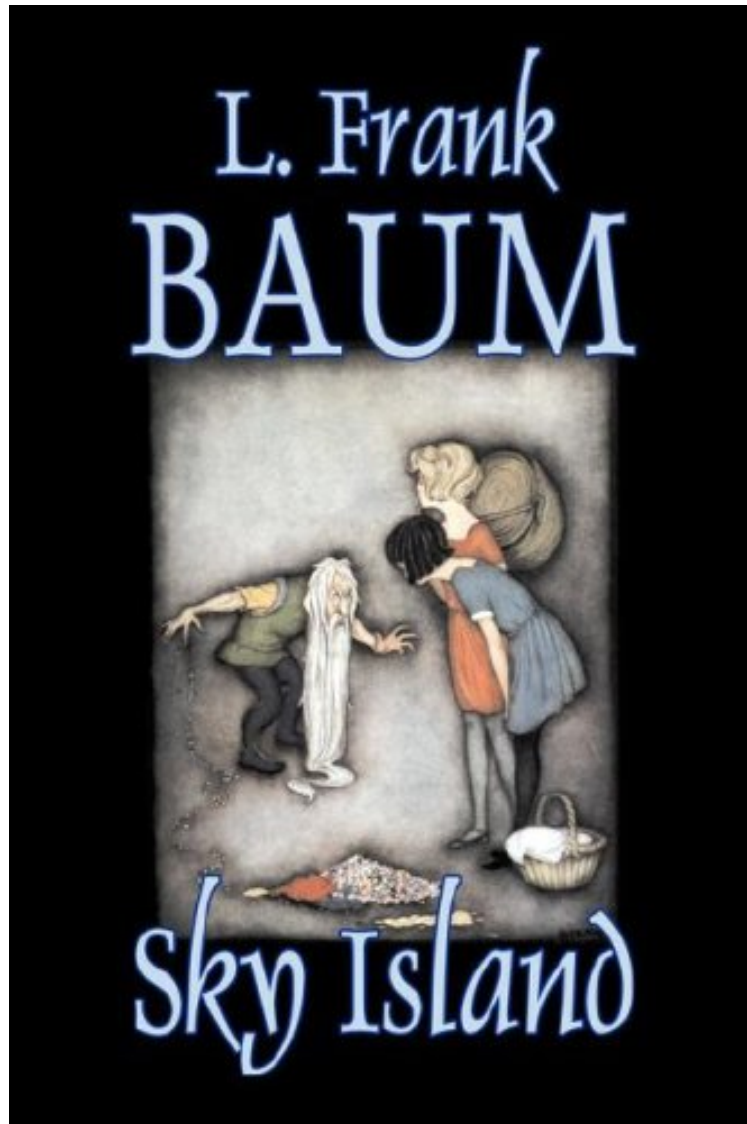


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(probably thrown away by mom for being so dog-eared and ragged) so it wasn't until I was an adult that I decided to replace my beloved book. The story is pretty much as I remembered reading as a child. The Pinks and the Blues are creatures that live in a world above ours. They are constantly at war, with the Blues being the more aggressive race. The story begins with a young girl named Trot who meets a boy called Button-Bright. Button-Bright has a magic umbrella that can transport you anywhere in minutes. After taking Trot out on a few trial runs, she wants to take old Cap'n Bill, a family friend along for a ride. So, the three companions decide to be transported to an island for a picnic. The only problem is that they don't actually know the name of said island, and Trot just uses the nickname she's given it which is Sky Island. Oh my, the things that can go wrong when you don't know where you're going. Turns out there really is a Sky Island and you guessed it, it is in the sky! They land right in the realm of the Blue meanies. Here their adventures or should I say misadventures begin! This is such a rip-roaring fun read and I so hope in our modern times that kids, as well as adults, can appreciate the sly humor found within the story. Yep, I still love this book as much as I did when I first read it so many years ago! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. It shows Baum's typical imagination for building amazing, silly characters and delightful plot situations. By Susan A. Santo This book is about adventures in a fairyland that is not Oz. It shows Baum's typical imagination for building amazing, silly characters and delightful plot situations. Four of the characters in this book also appear in some of the Oz books, Button Bright, Polychrome, Trot and Captain Bill. But Button Bright appears like a much older child in this book than he is in Oz. In Oz, he barely says anything other than "Don't know," whereas in this book he is quite talkative and intelligent. I am not sure why this book did not achieve the popularity of the Oz books. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Second in the series. By C. Franklin I have said this in one of my other reviews... L. Frank Baum has written more than I had realized and I have learned to love him as an author. I always loved The Wizard of Oz however I did not realize that was just the first in a series of many. This book two is the second in the series of Trot and Cap'n Bill which I also loved you do not necessarily have to read them in order but if you are like me that is the way I prefer to read series the sad thing is that sometimes with how old they are is trying to find the correct order... but there are only these two in this series. The imagination that Mr. Baum allows you to use and how he brings things you would never thought of too mind... In this book you will find a bit of Mary Poppins meets the land of Oz. He allows you to read colors and bring them to life as well as the people and different lives and cultures of the many types... I am so looking forward to reading more of his. I have read the Trot and Cap'n Bill series, The Life and Times of Santa Claus, The Kidnapped Santa Claus, started reading the Policeman Bluejay.

Trot is the young daughter of a California schooner captain. She is accompanied by Captain Bill -- an old sailor with a wooden leg who was her father's captain. Trot meets Button-Bright, a boy using a magic umbrella to travel from his home in Philadelphia. Trot, Button, and Captain Bill decide to travel with the umbrella, which takes them to a literal island in the sky. Sky Island is divided in half, one side pink, and the other blue, and the blues and pinks are at war. Trot, Button, and Captain Bill are imprisoned, and must somehow escape and end the conflict so they can return home.

About the Author Lyman Frank Baum (1856 - 1919), better known by his pen name L. Frank Baum, was an American author chiefly known for his children's books, particularly The Wonderful Wizard of Oz. He wrote thirteen novel sequels, nine other fantasy novels, and a host of other works (55 novels in total, plus four "lost works", 83 short stories, over 200 poems, an unknown number of scripts and many miscellaneous writings). His works anticipated such century-later commonplaces as television, augmented reality, laptop computers (The Master Key), wireless telephones (Tik-Tok of Oz), women in high risk, action-heavy occupations (Mary Louise in the Country), and the ubiquity of advertising on clothing (Aunt Jane's Nieces at Work). --Wikipedia