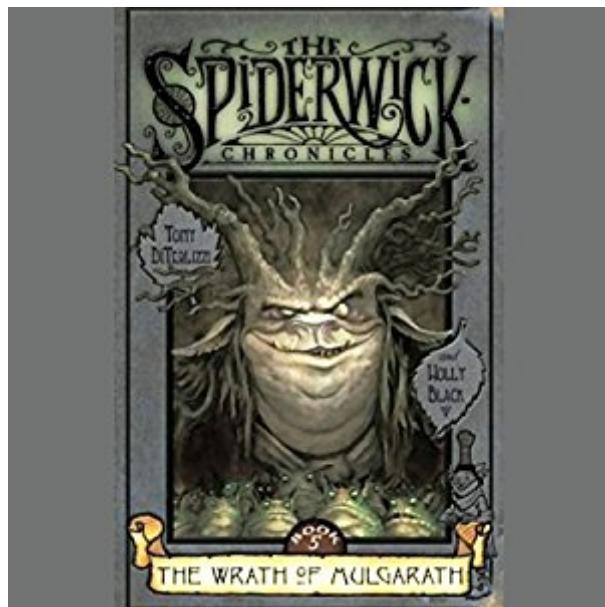


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# The Wrath Of Mulgarath: The Spiderwick Chronicles, Book 5



## **Synopsis**

The Grace kids set out to rescue Arthur Spiderwick and defeat Mulgarathâ™s goblin army in this repackage of the fifth book in the #1 New York Times bestselling Spiderwick Chronicles. Bruised and battered, Jared, Simon, and Mallory return home to find the mansion ransacked and learn that Mulgarath has made off with both the Spiderwick Guide and their mother! With only the help of Thimbletack, Hogsqueal, and Byron, the Grace kids have to defeat Mulgarath and his goblin army. But before they can face Mulgarath, theyâ™ll have to rescue Arthur Spiderwick from Lorengorm and the elves. In honor of the tenth anniversary of the #1 New York Times bestselling Spiderwick Chronicles series, which has more than 12 million copies in print worldwide, this edition of The Wrath of Mulgarath features a larger trim size and an original cover with all-new art from Tony DiTerlizzi. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Another excellent series for children! Join Jared, Simon, and Mallory Grace as they come to the end (or is it? at least for this series) of their adventures into the faerie world. Guided by their mysterious uncle's sketch book the heroes and heroine of these stories will finally come face to face with the biggest, baddest, and meanest of the faeries, The Ogre Mulgarath! The first 4 in this series of five opened my eyes to a wonderful world of enchantment and I can't wait to see how it comes to an end.

Once again artist and author team up and deliver a rewarding story. The three children are given

their most frightful and challenging test yet, as when they return home they find that the house has been ransacked and much out of place - including the Field Guide \*and\* their mother. Her loss devastates the children, as they have no idea how to find or free her. Then they happen upon Hogsqueal (or, rather, Byron happens upon him) and learn that he can lead them to Mulgarath's Palace where they hope to find and free their mother. Along the way they are met with gruesome sights, and perform tasks they never could have imagined themselves doing in a hundred years, and their mettle is tested severely. None more so than that of Jared. But Jared has studied the Field Guide, and even though it is no longer in his possession, his memory serves him well. So does Arthur Spiderwick, who makes a brief appearance and offers most useful advice. The ending began to seem typical, with Mulgarath in control and speaking of the how's and why's of his desire for domination. Even though his desire to speak has been explained earlier, it is a little tedious for too many "bad guys", i.e., Dark Lords and whatnot, do exactly this. However, the denouement is unique, original, and it made me laugh. This was truly a delightful book, from beginning to end. The writing is top notch, and I can't say enough about the art. The book dips into darkness, rises into light, dips back into darkness and offers truly ghastly portraits that should keep kids on the edge of their seats and wishing their nightlights burned brighter. Also, I loved the character of Thimbletack, both how he was written and how he spoke. The rhyming was charming and delightful. And the rhyme at the end of the book was most entertaining. I am looking forward to its fulfillment.

The Grace children - Mallory, Jared, and Simon are back, but this time they are trying to save their beloved Mother who has been captured by the evil Mulgarath. With the help of Uncle Arthur's Guidebook to the Faerie World, as well as elves, and Hogsqueal, a sneaky hobgoblin, the three siblings set out to defeat Mulgarath for the last time. However, the children know that they have only a short time to save their Mother, before Mulgarath harms her, so they set their minds to do just that. Tony DiTerlizzi and Holly Black have created a remarkable conclusion to THE SPIDERWICK CHRONICLES with THE WRATH OF MULGARATH. The three Grace children - Mallory, Jared, and Simon are braver than ever. While the adventure that they embark on is outlined in an extremely vivid and descriptive way. Filled with wonderful twists and turns on every page, as well as gorgeous black and white sketches, this is sure to be loved by all. Erika Sorocco Book Review Columnist for The Community Bugle Newspaper

My parents and I purchased this book for my 9 year old nephew for Christmas and he loved it. He had it read by the end of the day. I was highly satisfied with my transaction, and would use this

seller again, if any books or other products I was looking for became available. I was able to purchase this book for just over \$5. It was definitely worth the money even if I had to spend a little more to purchase.

I really enjoyed this conclusion to the *Spiderwick Chronicles*. Like book four the action was more intense and it differed greatly from the movie unlike the first three volumes which the movie followed pretty closely. Like most true readers I liked the books much better than the movie though as an adult I would have preferred them as one larger volume. The series offers a satisfying conclusion while leaving an opening for potential future titles which I liked. Also being a children's book there were very few sad or overly violent parts while the plot still offered lots of danger and action to keep readers turning pages. While this is definitely meant for younger readers I'd still highly recommend the series.

It's hard to imagine a worse situation than the one that Simon, Jared and Mallory are in now. After escaping from Mulgarath the ogre and his goblin servants, the three dispirited and exhausted children head home. Upon their arrival at the *Spiderwick* estate they discover that the place has been ransacked and, most terribly of all, their mother has been abducted. Even though Mulgarath has Uncle Spiderwick's infamous Field Guide, there's apparently something else he wants from the Grace children. The question is what, and how will they rescue their mother without becoming Mulgarath's prisoners themselves? The children feel unprepared for this new adventure. However, they receive unexpected and surprisingly useful assistance from some very unlikely characters. There's the highly annoying and untrustworthy hobgoblin, Hogsqueal; Thimbletack the boggart, who feels very badly about the fact that he wasn't able to protect the *Spiderwick* Estate and Mrs. Grace from Mulgarath's horrible goblins; Byron, the griffin, who has a most useful appetite; and Arthur Spiderwick himself, who supplies Jared with important information. With these helpers, Simon, Jared and Mallory set off for Mulgarath's headquarters not knowing what to expect or how they're going to free their mother. With sharp wits, courage, intelligence and determination as their only real weapons, this is a battle they cannot afford to lose --- for everyone's sake. Exciting and filled with unexpected twists and turns, this fifth and final installment in the first cycle of *The Spiderwick Chronicles* is a most satisfying read. Readers will encounter loss, grief and recovery, making this last book especially memorable. --- Reviewed by Marya Jansen-Gruber, editor of *Through The Looking Glass Children's Book Review* ([...])

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