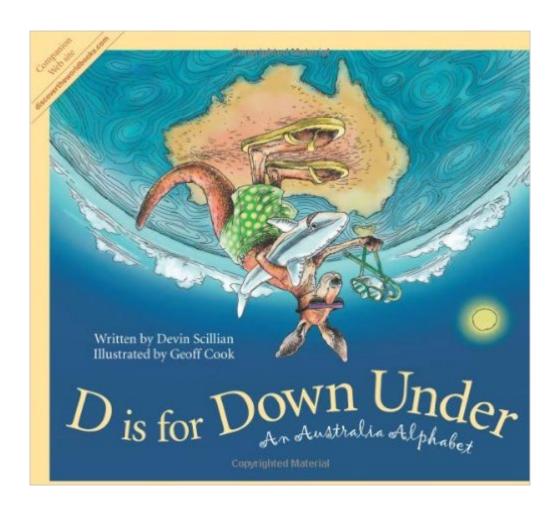
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# D Is For Down Under: An Australia Alphabet (Discover The World)





## Synopsis

What country holds the title as the world's smallest continent and yet the world's largest island? I stands for island, but one that's not too small. Our island is enormous. Just try to see it all! There's no place else quite like it; that is clearly true. Australia is a continent, but it's an island, too. Originally founded as a penal colony, Australia has long been known for its contrasts (think: wild outback and sophisticated Sydney Opera House). Accompanied by vibrant colorful artwork, D is for Down Under: An Australia Alphabet captures the spirit of this proud country and its many treasures, natural and man-made. Visit spectacular Sydney Harbor, try your hand as a jackaroo working a sheep station, or just sit back and enjoy a Vegemite sandwich. Below the starry night glitter of the Southern Cross constellation, Australia's "down under" wonders shine brightly. Devin Scillian is an award-winning author and Emmy-award-winning broadcast journalist. His books with Sleeping Bear Press include the national bestseller A is for America: An American Alphabet. Devin lives in Michigan and anchors the news for WDIV-TV in Detroit. Geoff Cook has been illustrating for 35 years. His career began as a graphic designer, after graduating from Prahran College in Melbourne. Soon realizing he wanted to be an illustrator, he became a partner in the illustration studio All Australian Graffiti. He lives in Australia.

### **Book Information**

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D is for Down Under: An Australia Alphabet lives up to its title as an alphabet book featuring all

manner of Australian creatures and things. Whimsical color illustrations and amazing, fact-filled text sidebars enhance entries such as "It'll be quite the job, our letter J. / You'll be tending sheep on a long, hot day. / You'll raise them up and shear them, too. / For that's the job of a jackaroo!" A charming and fun ABC book celebrating all things Australian, highly recommended.

I bought this book for my son when we moved down under, and have not been disappointed! The light poetry is informative and captivating for him (was 5 when we got it, still enjoys it at 7), the additional optional paragraphs of detailed information feeds MY soul and intrigues him sometimes, too, and the illustrations are fabulous. Altogether a great introduction to Australia.

Very nice book, well illustrated. My daughter bought this for my grandson when she was leaving to study abroad in Australia so he would have a better understanding of where she was going. He is 9 years old and we thought this might be too young for him, but it's done very well and can easily span a large age group. Great book!

We loved reading this book to our young people!

Great book! Used extensively in my classroom!

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