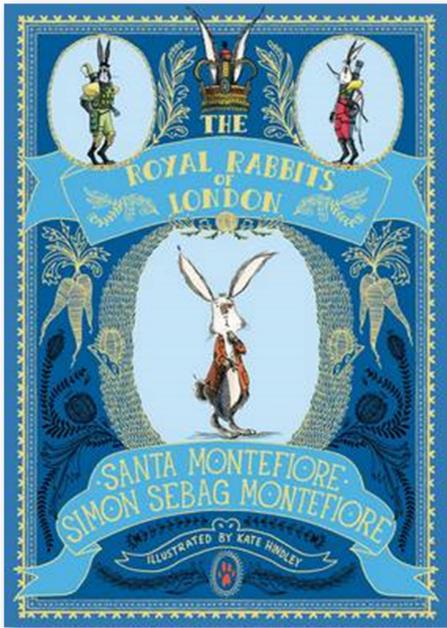


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LoveReading4kids Reader reviews of **The Royal Rabbits of London** by Santa Montefiore & Simon Sebag Montefiore

Below are the complete reviews, written by the LoveReading4kids members.



Bisland Brothers - Alexander (11) and Daniel (9)

This book is about a puny little bunkin called Shylo Tawny-Tail who is cowardly but extremely clever. He is the youngest in his family so his brothers and sisters tease him a lot. One day Shylo was walking through the forest by himself looking for food for his family, when he came across a small burrow. Here he met the mysterious Horatio and they became friends. One morning, on his way to Horatio's burrow, he came across some rats and overheard their evil plan to take a picture of the Queen in her nightgown and post it on Rat-on-a-celebrity.com making

*them a million quid. He quickly ran to Horatio's and told him what he heard. So Horatio sent him on a mission to find the Royal Rabbits of London and save the Queen from humiliation. Does he find the Royal Rabbits? Does he get caught? Can he become the most famous rabbit in history? You need to read the book to find out! **We enjoyed this book because it is adventurous, exciting and it teaches you "BIG THINGS come in small packages"**. We recommend it to 8+ readers and we give it a 5 out of 5.*

Remember "By will and by luck, with a moist carrot, a wet nose and a slice of mad courage, anything is possible".

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Toby Little, age 8

This book has made me think about what it means to be brave. Sometimes, brave means doing what you think you can't, but what you know is right and

needs to be done. I hope there is a sequel!

'The Royal Rabbits of London' is a fantastic book written by Santa Montefiore and Simon Sebag Montefiore. It's about a little rabbit called Shylo who isn't told that he's brave or anything – the others in the family are making fun of him and showing off. One day, Shylo tries to go to the farms, but he goes the wrong way, into a deep, dark forest. There, he learns what a Ratzi is, and what the evil Ratzis are planning to do. He is the only one who can stop them, but he'll have to be brave...

*The authors were very descriptive in their writing. I knew the second I heard the name "Shylo", that he was going to be the saviour in the book. I can't wait for when they put the proper illustrations in, because Kate Hindley is one of the best illustrators I have ever seen. **The story has made me think about what it means to be brave. Sometimes, brave means doing what you think you can't, but what you know is right and needs to be done.** The book had really exciting moments, and I loved the ending, so **I hope there is a sequel.***

@tobyiswriting

Beatrice Whithear, age 9

This book is about a small, feeble rabbit called Shylo Tawny-Tail and his adventure with The Royal Rabbits of London.

***This is a brilliant book.** I loved the character Shylo, he was the youngest rabbit in the family trying to be the best.*

The chapters were short and always ended when something exciting was about to happen. This made me want to read more. My favourite bit was when Shylo was in Buckingham palace tunnels, I felt scared for him with the Ratzis.

*The book is very fast paced and a great read. All the characters are described really well and I could picture them in my head. **It did make me think that maybe there really is The Royal Rabbits of London.***

I read this book really quickly and would give it 10/10.

Josh Parcell, age 9

An amazing book full of action that intrigued me and kept me wanting to read every word.... Shylo the young rabbit has to help stop the Queen's crown and nightie being stolen.

This book is about a young rabbit who lives in the countryside, one day his life changes and he goes to London to tell the Royal Rabbits about a plot to steal the Queen's crown and nightie!

Together they manage to put a stop to this awful plan and save the Queen of England!

A brilliant read that was full of description and kept me wanting to read on.

I hope these authors write more 'Royal Rabbits of London' books as they are fantastic!

Matthew Stokes, age 9

I thought this book was great. I read it very quickly and knew it was going to be awesome after the first chapter. *The characters were interesting and very funny. Horatian intrigued me because he never left his burrow and lived in the deepest part of the woods. Shylo was my favourite character as he turned out to be the unlikely hero in the story. Shylo was the first country rabbit to be asked to join the Royal Rabbits Of London! Fabulous.*

Jessica loxton, age 9

This book was good and I did enjoy reading it as I got into it. I would tell my friends to read it too. *I would give this 3/5 with 5 being very good!*

At the start I thought it was a bit boring but when it got near the end it got better. I liked the bit where Shylo got tricked and knocked over the orange juice. I read this book quite quick, a chapter a day. I would go out and buy this book. I think this book was more for younger children but it was good as I like rabbits.

Florence Bridgeman, age 6

The adventures of Shylo, a mocked and ridiculed 'Runt of the Warren' who has to go on a perilous quest. Superb! *It is amazing just how much story can be squeezed into 86 pages! Flo and I were completely entranced by the tale of Horatio the outcast rabbit and Shylo, the Runt of the Warren. Accidentally overhearing a plot to bring down the mythical Queen of the Rabbits, Shylo has to travel to London to stop the Ratzis stealing a picture and also her soul. Delightful and hopefully, the first in a series.*

Mira Ruby Lalji, age 7

*At the beginning, I felt like this book was a bit hard to read, but I asked my mum to help me. Once we started, I realised that I really like it. The authors describe things in a "rabbity" way. The whole story is seen through the eyes of rabbits! This is a story of how a little rabbit could be brave. At first, Shylo is shy and his brothers and sisters bully him because he is the runt of the family. But when he is sent on a mission to save the Queen from the Ratzis, he finds it inside him to be strong and brave. **I liked it because it showed me that the smallest can sometimes be the bravest. I felt like after each chapter finished, I wanted to read the next one right away.** There was lots of excitement. The illustrations by Kate Hindley were perfect for the story style because they are very detailed.*

Shylo the Rabbit shows us that even the smallest rabbits can be brave when they need to be. Follow Shylo on his adventures as he overcomes his fear and goes to London to save the Queen.