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# The Mixed-Up Chameleon Board Book



## Synopsis

From Eric Carle, the New York Times bestselling author of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and *The Grouchy Ladybug*, comes a colorful and inventive book about a changing chameleon that wants to be a little bit of everything. There once was a small green chameleon that wished to be handsome like a flamingo, smart like a fox, and funny like a seal. But with each transformation in size, shape, and color, the chameleon learns that maybe being yourself is best of all! *The Mixed-Up Chameleon* is sure to delight little readers with its interactive art, funny antics, and heartwarming message. This board book edition is the perfect size for small hands and features sturdy pages.

## Book Information

Age Range: 1 - 4 years

Lexile Measure: 450 (What's this?)

Board book: 32 pages

Publisher: HarperFestival; Brdbk edition (February 5, 1998)

Language: English

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Product Dimensions: 5 x 7 inches

Shipping Weight: 9.1 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

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## Customer Reviews

Collages in festive hues illustrate this story of a chameleon that learns to change not only his colors but his shape and his dreams as well. Ages 4-8. Copyright 1988 Reed Business Information, Inc.  
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The chameleon's life was not very exciting until the day it discovered it could change not only its color but its shape and size, too. When it saw the wonderful animals in the zoo, it immediately wanted to be like them -- and ended up like all of them at once -- with hilarious results.

I love the story and the message behind it (the grass is not always greener on the other side, your

unique qualities make you great). But I was disappointed to see how small the board book was when it arrived. Toddlers are visual creatures, thus why all their books are picture books. So it would help if the book weren't tiny. This story in particular relies on its art to depict the story. The pictures are hilarious and the moral of the story is obvious without being preachy. Overall a good buy, but try to find a bigger edition if you can.

I bought this for my best friend's 3 year old daughter for her birthday and we both came to the same conclusion...the further along you get into the book the more nightmarish the chameleon starts to look but my friend's daughter didn't seem to mind as she loves to flip thru it over and over again to look at the pretty colors and all of the animal mix ups. So if you don't like to look at an illustration of an animal that looked like Dr. Frankenstein got ahold of it then this book isn't for you...but more than likely kids will think it is funny and love it.

This is such a fun colorful book to add to my son's collection, and he loves it! Eric Carle is a fun artist and my toddler is just starting to love his work, this cardboard book makes it possible for him to enjoy playing with the book and not fear it ripping. It is durable and a good read :)

My young daughter loves this book, it's easy for her to read, the illustrations are bright and colorful, the story line has a wonderful theme!

We love Eric Carle books! This one is really cute. I definitely recommend. It is also a good size for a board book.

My baby does not like it although I laughed at the funny story and the pictures when I read to my baby. Good book funny story.

My 4 year old loves this book. Checking each page to see which new mixed up body part the chameleon gains is so much fun. We've read it a couple dozen times already and he still laughs like crazy each time. His other favorites are 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'Mr. Seahorse'. The Mixed up Chameleon is very in line with the other 2 but a little bit more of story than 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'.

A classic of Eric Carle! We all must learn to live in our own skin! I read it to my class with love for all

the different colors and a good story line.

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