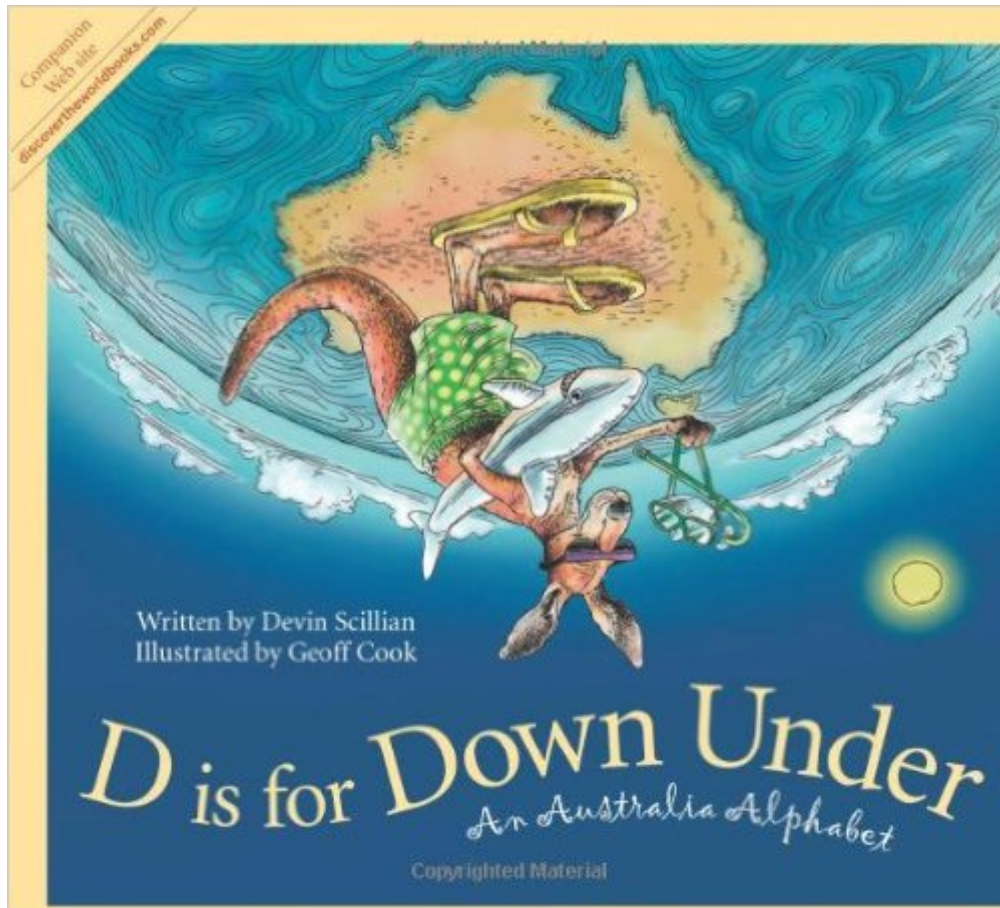


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# D Is For Down Under: An Australia Alphabet (Discover The World)



## Synopsis

What country holds the title as the world's smallest continent and yet the world's largest island? It 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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## Customer Reviews

*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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