Cendrillon: A Caribbean Cinderella
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**Book Information**

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Age Range: 5 - 10 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 5

**Customer Reviews**

This is a wonderfully rich retelling of the traditional French Cinderella story, set in the Caribbean. As a school librarian I've shared this title with students to compare it to the traditional version. They love it! The pronunciation guide in the back is most helpful. The story is unique because it is from the point of view of the spunky godmother. Pinkney's scratchboard illustrations are perfect!

I quite enjoyed this Caribbean version of Cinderella. As a white parent of a Haitian child, I found this story to remind my daughter of the country in which she was born. The illustrations and the language all contribute to a new perspective on a familiar story that engages the reader completely. We quite enjoyed seeing a "familiar" fairy tale re-told with a "new" heroine. My daughter quite enjoyed seeing a Cendrillon that "looks like me."

Beautiful story - I love the cultural take on the Cinderella story. The images and the storyline present
a great perspective for children who are familiar with the culture, and for those who would otherwise have no exposure to it.

This is a very interesting take on CINDERELLA. What I enjoyed as much as the Caribbean take and flavor, was the story was told from the perspective of the godmother. Here, she’s not so much a fairy, and a kindly lady in Cendrillon’s life, who has inherited a magic rod of wood. I liked the way elements of the traditional tale were woven in, and I liked how the author seamlessly wove in his own take.

I think Cendrillon is a great book if you like Cinderella. I think Robert D. San Souci the author did a great job. It is very alike with Cinderella and very different. Mannin’s mother dies and gives her something very special. Cendrillon’s mother died soon after. Her father married a madame. Madame has a child. They have a party. The Madame and her daughter get invited to a ball. Cendrillon really wants to go. Mannin helps her get to the ball. I feel that it is very exciting. I like the pictures in the book Cendrillon because they are colorful and detailed. By: Magen

Cendrillon, by Robert D. San Souci is a great book for kids. Cendrillon is the caribbean version of Cinderella. Cendrillon’s mother dies and she is handed over to her godmother. The godmother has the wand of mahogany, which can change things into another. Cendrillon is a lot like Cinderella and it is a great book. I liked it a lot. The book has a lot of detail and I thought it was funny when one of the step sisters said “The slipper will fit if you cut off your toes.”

The description on this book was confusing. Did not know what ‘Library Binding’ meant, but it turned out fine! It was the right book and cover after all. It is an old favorite of my daughter’s. Book came in new condition.

If you liked Cinderella you will love Cendrillon. It’s Cinderella back in action, but on the island of Martinique. Read this review. Like all princess stories there’s fairytale love. This book is about an evil step mother and a evil step sister taking over a little girl’s life by making her a maid. The little girl has a godmother. Her godmother has a special wand her mom gave her. The little girl’s step mom won’t let Cendrillon go to the ball. Will she go to the ball? Will her godmother use the wand on her? But there’s one thing I forgot to tell you something the godmother can only use the wand on someone she loves. So can she use the wand? That is the question? I thought this book was great!!!! I
thought it was so cool how they put off the laugene of Martinique in the book. The pictures were great too. From: Weasel

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