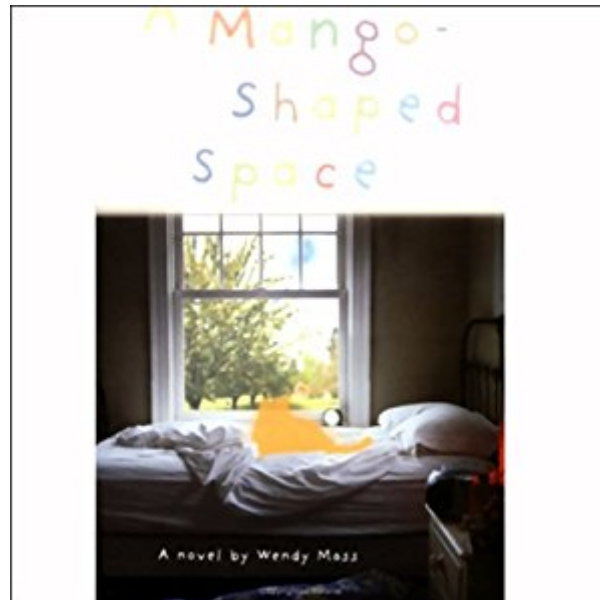




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A Mango Shaped Space



Synopsis

thirteen-year-old Mia Winchell appears to be a typical eighth grader. But Mia is keeping a secret from everyone who knows her: sounds, numbers and words appear in color for her. Mia has synesthesia, the mingling of perceptions whereby a person can see sounds, smell colors, or taste shapes. A Mango-Shaped Space is a poignant, coming-of-age novel spiced with wit and humor that chronicles Mia's developing appreciation of her gift and the part it plays in her life. --This text refers to the Library Binding edition.

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Customer Reviews

I think this was a very accurate way to portray synesthesia, and I think this is exactly what it's like for me, except I see the colors in my head, not surrounding me. The main character, Mia, has synesthesia. She seems to think the same way I do, and the way she describes seeing the sounds colors is just how it's like, for example, a huge amount of noise is more annoying and overwhelming, but classical music is more calm and enjoyable. I tried the listening to the music in the shower thing, and I don't think the book gave it enough justice, because it was too amazing for words. The author has definitely done her research.

A great book by a good author. Wendy Mass did not disappoint! I ended up getting polarized sunglasses so I could feel more like the main character and experience her gift as closely as possible. That's how much this book moved me!

I loved this book for many reasons but the main one was probably because the main character was a synesthete just like me. But I gave this book five stars because I enjoyed every second of it, and reading it for the first time was quite an adventure but going back and rereading it after I had figured out I had synesthesia was very cool. Synesthesia is not a disease if that's what you were thinking. Synesthesia is where the senses in your mind blend together. For instance think of a line then think of a line on top of that but the both form an "X" then think of more lines added on top, so when the brain is formed sometimes the lines will fuse together makes your senses (the lines) connect. For example some people who have it whenever they hear something they see colors in the air in front of them, or maybe whenever they see shapes they can actually feel the shapes on their skin, or maybe it could be smaller like whenever they see broccoli they see the letter "l". So stuff like that. And this book is about a girl who goes through life but still dealing with her synesthesia. This book was definitely the best book I have ever read. And I've read a lot of books. :)

My friend told me that she saw colors a couple of months ago. This is her favorite book. Now I can see she was lying. Anyways, this book was so cute and well written I couldn't put it down! It was very interesting and the author clearly explained synesthesia. My heart broke at the end and I couldn't stop bawling. When my mom asked why, I explained that Mango the cat died and all she saw was a mango shape space. Also that Adam was a jerk and Roger was really nice to her. This book was so cute and just overall perfect! I just wish there was more! I hope that they adopt the other cat, name him Mustard, and the book will be called "Mustard shaped space" but I don't know that might be stupid. I just want this to happen: 1) Roger and Mia to get together 2) Mia adopts Mango's son 3) Mango's son doesn't die. I hope you find this review helpful to you to make the right choice and buy this book!

Hi my name is Star my name's color is a very HOT pink. I also have synesthesia like Mia and I thought I was crazy but after I read this book it opened my world and my life. I chose five stars because even if everyone calls synesthesia stupid I know how it feels and I don't care what they say I know it is real even though they don't. I'm in 8th grade and I'm taking French it is so hard because just like Mia my world is full of colors and my words have colors. My French words have a different color than my English words. Thank you miss Wendy Mass you opened my eyes and I see the world more clear

My friend's grandson thought this book was "interesting", so she read it and thought I might like to

read it. It was most interesting because I see auras around people, animals and just about everything, as do my children. I have been a little concerned lately because I now see colored shapes in the air on occasion and I thought there might be something wrong with my eyesight. Now I know there isn't! I had recently read about "synesthesia" on the net because my husband noticed an article about it. Scientists seem to consider it a "condition" because there are more synapses firing in the brain than is normal. To me this means that synesthetes are actually utilizing more of the brain than is "normal". Isn't this a good thing? Just think of what might be possible if we could stimulate and access more of the "dormant" parts of the brain. I truly believe that we as humans are capable of being so much more than we are.

This book really got me thinking about kids with diseases and special needs and how people treat them differently. I recommend this book to people who enjoy Wendy Mass's books and to people looking for a book that is like the life's of people everywhere

Very interesting in to the life of a synesthete

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