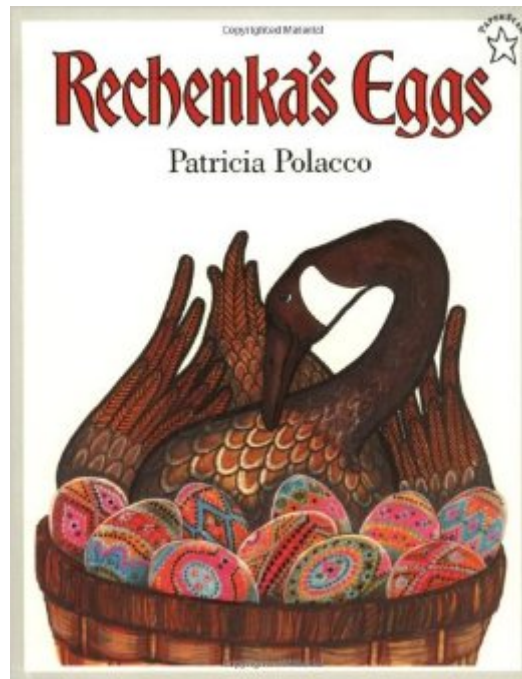


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# Rechenka's Eggs (Paperstar)



## Synopsis

Old Babushka, known throughout all of Moskva for her beautifully painted eggs, is preparing her eggs for the Easter Festival when she takes in an injured goose. She names the goose Rechenka, and they live happily together until one day when Rechenka accidentally overturns a basket, breaking all of Babushka's lovingly crafted eggs. But the next morning Babushka has a surprise awaiting her in the basket. She cries: "A miracle!" It is one of many in this charmingly told tale of friendship and caring. With vibrant illustrations, Patricia Polacco has joyously re-created the flavor of Old Moscow and its festivals. The eggs, stunningly colored and intricately designed, are authentic reproductions of eggs painted in the Ukrainian style. Rechenka's Eggs is a timeless story of classic beauty.

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## Customer Reviews

"Babushka lived in a dacha, a little house in the country, but she was known far and wide for the fine eggs that she lovingly painted. Her eggs were so beautiful that she always won first prize at the Easter Festival in Moskva." And so begins one of my favorite books written and illustrated by the prolific Ms. Patricia Polacco. What a sweet and beautiful book this is! I will tell you right now that the illustrations in this work are not only unique, but executed with great skill and caring on Ms.

Polacco's part. This is the story of an old lady who paints Easter Eggs. She is quite well known for it and her fame is wide. The story takes place in prerevolutionary Russia (more about that later) and the author has captured the flavor of that time and place perfectly. In brief, Old Babushka finds an injured goose... "A hunter did this," Babushka grumbles". She takes the injured bird home and begins nursing it. Through an accident the goose breaks the basket of eggs the old lady has worked so hard on. Both Babushka and the goose, Rechenka feel bad about this as they have become close friends and companions. The next day Babushka finds that her friend has laid a most wonderfully decorated egg. Day after day a new and more wonderful colored and decorated egg is laid until the original basket of eggs are replaced. All is well. Then day the eggs are to be taken to the fair, the goose returns with a flock to the wild. Ah, Babushka will be lonely. But upon her return she finds that her friend the goose, Rechenka, has left her the most wonderful and astounding gift.....! The art work here is a feast for the eyes.

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