

Although Grapette enjoys her adventure, once back home she decides she has seen enough and knows without a doubt how much she is loved. Children will discover, along with Grapette, that the parents who impose seemingly restrictive routines are the same parents who deeply love their children and want to keep them safe.

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and illustrated in the rich style of an old European fairy tale.

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Svetlana Konnikova grew up in her own grape-laden haven in the former Soviet Union. Her family of grape growers and winemakers cultivated in her a love of healthy, natural living and provided her with flavorful stories, one of which has grown into **Grapette, The Runaway Who Rolled Away**. She currently lives in South Florida.

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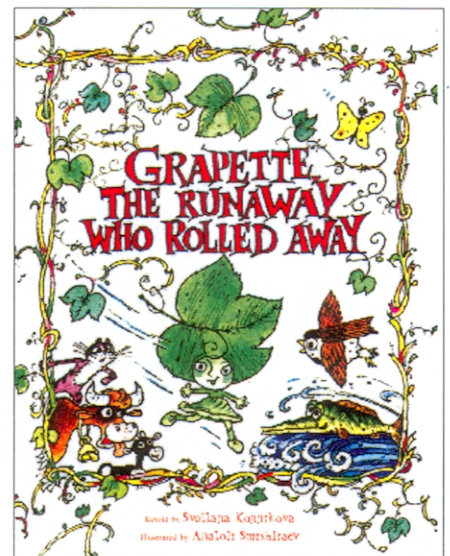
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