



# PUFFIN

on the

# ROCKY COAST

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## CHAPTER 2

# Coming Home

Poppy is excited to get home to the rocky coast.

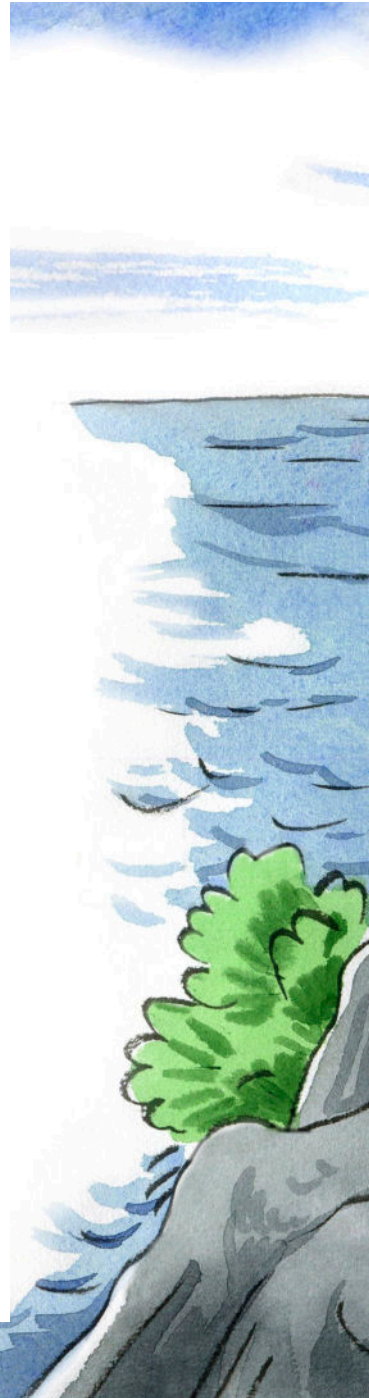


She spots Chip in the flock,  
and they fly home together.  
Chip sees the rocky cliffs  
ahead. It is the big island called  
Iceland.



It is April on the rocky coast of Iceland. The snow has melted. Patches of grass are popping up in the cracks between the rocks.

Poppy and Chip are some of the first puffins to land on the empty coast, but it will not be empty for long!







Soon the silent  
island will be  
filled with more  
than a million  
pairs of puffins!  
Here come more  
flocks of puffins.





Chip and Poppy are happy to be home. They rub their bills together. "Billing" is how puffins greet each other. They look around and see the coast filling up with black-and-white puffins.

God gave all the puffins an instinct that helps them find the same rocky coast every spring. They even know which burrow is theirs.





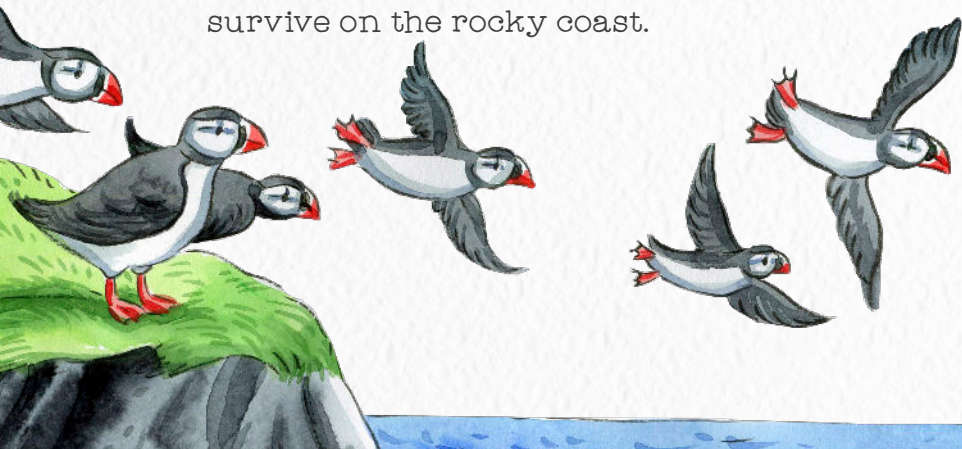
Each puffin pair has a big task ahead of them. They must claim their burrow before another puffin pair does.





# A PUFFIN on the ROCKY COAST

Every winter, puffins cross the harsh, frigid water and make their way to the rocky coast, where they are greeted by thousands of other puffins. Somehow in the massive colony of puffins, Poppy and Chip reunite each spring. Follow the adventures of this puffin pair as they build their nest, care for their egg, search for food, and teach their new little puffling how to survive on the rocky coast.



  
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