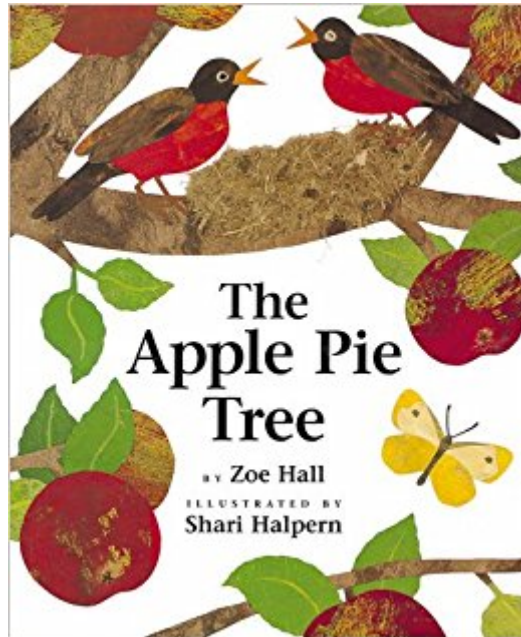




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# The Apple Pie Tree



## Synopsis

We have a special tree in our yard--an apple pie tree! Colorful collage illustrations follow each season as an apple tree grows leaves, fragrant blossoms, and tiny green apples. Soon the fruit is big, red, and ready to be picked. It's time to make an apple pie! Here is a celebration of apples and how things grow--sure to delight young readers all year long.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

PreSchool-Grade 1-From bud to fruit, two children follow the cycle of an apple tree as it is nurtured through the seasons. The book incorporates the role of bees and the weather in the production of the fruit. Another use of the tree is shown, as a pair of robins build their nest and begin a family. The story ends with a nice, warm apple pie being taken from the oven. The large pictures and text are suitable for young children. The colorful, clear-cut illustrations use a paint and paper collage technique. An end note shows how bees pollinate the tree's flowers and offers a recipe for apple pie. Great for sharing with a group or one-on-one.Kathy Mitchell, Gadsden Co. Public Library, Quincy, FLCopyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Ages 4^7. Two young sisters describe the changes that occur in their backyard apple tree throughout the seasons of a year. The tree is bare and brown in winter, but spring brings two robins

that build a nest and raise a family amid the apple blossoms. In summer, the robins fly off, the girls enjoy playing in the tree's shade, and the apples grow bigger and redder. Finally, in autumn, they pick apples and bake a delicious apple pie. Halpern's colorful collage illustrations perfectly complement the succinct text. Eschewing the use of backgrounds, she concentrates on the tree and the children, which results in crisp edges and an uncluttered appearance that will please young audiences. Appended with an explanation of pollination and a recipe for apple pie, this will make a perfect choice for fall story hours and primary science lessons. Pair with Gail Gibbons' *Seasons of Arnold's Apple Tree* (1984) for another perspective. Kay Weisman

great read!

Book goes through the seasons focusing on a apple tree and how the tree becomes apple pie filing. Cute way to teach seasons and life cycles of plants. Lost one star because I felt the artwork could have been better, but much better than in the book *It's Pumpkin Time*.

This book is a good one, and one we like in all seasons, but particularly fall. I like that the story takes us throughout the seasons and we see the tree journey through those seasons and watch it change. The paper-cut look illustrations are simple but lovely. It's one we pull out every year in the fall during apple picking time. :)

Purchased for my nephews...I have owned a copy of this book for years and I have read it to many young people. There is a great recipe that you may enjoy making with whomever you read this too! It is a great book.

A great informative story and good to use during th High apple season, great recipe too!

I used this book last September while we learned about apples. Zoe Hall is an excellent author. The children loved the story, and loved learning about apples, and how apples start as bud, blossom, turn to baby apples known as fruitlets, and finally apples. The author takes you on a magical journey through an apple tree seasons.

September means I share apple stories with all my preschool storytelling shows, so here's to Zoe Hall's *THE APPLE PIE TREE*, illustrated by Shari Halpern. A family grows the "best part of an apple

pie" the apples. It takes the readers through a year in the life of an apple tree and a robin family that lives in it. The art is gorgeous, bright colorful images with intriguing details. Ends with pie...what kid can resist?

My 9 year old read this at a coffee shop and loved it. So I bought it for her for a Christmas present. It is a very nice book.

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