Wild Born: Spirit Animals, Book 1
#1 New York Times bestseller Brandon Muller launches a brand-new multi-platform phenomenon. Four children separated by vast distances all undergo the same ritual, watched by cloaked strangers. Four flashes of light erupt, and from them emerge the unmistakable shapes of incredible beasts - a wolf, a leopard, a panda, a falcon. Suddenly the paths of these children - and the world - have been changed forever.

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**Customer Reviews**

All over the lands (that seem to represent very distinct lands in our true world) at the age of 11 kids drink a nectar to see if they will be connected to a spirit animal. It is rare but not unheard of to have a spirit animal, a special connection between the child and a wild animal. This bond only gets stronger as they get older and learn what special powers come along with their animal. 4 kids from 4 different corners of the land happen to connect to 4 very powerfully symbolic animals. These kids are now tied together to a greater destiny of trying to figure out who is good and who is bad so that they can save their world of Erdas. I very quickly became engrossed in this book. The first quarter of the book introduces the main characters and describes the day they discover their animal bonds. It draws the reader right into the story. Then there are some transitional chapters before the action starts. There isn’t too wordy of a transition, so readers won’t get bored. It seems rushed as an adult, but I know that it is good writing for the target age group. There is just the right amount of action and story to keep kids wanting more, and more they will get! I did not realize when I read this that the
series would be written by different authors or that it would also go along with a game series. In these ways, it is very much like 39 Clues with a little more fantasy and an animal twist. Children constantly ask for books similar to 39 Clues, so I am sure this will also be a hit. I will have no problem recommending this book series to children, feeling confident that they will enjoy it. It is perfect for ones who liked 39 Clues, ones who love fantasy books, or even maybe some crossovers from those who like animals like the Warriors series. While these animals don't necessarily lead the show, they are a very big part of it. Overall, so many kids will like this new series for so many different reasons.

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This book may be my favorite book ever. It just was a amazing read. It was different... In a good way. It made me smile. I can not wait for the next book! This book is freakin amazing!!! I would probably read it if you were under 10. The book caught me and reeled me in like a fish. It made me wonder what would happen next. It had some humor. After I read the Frist 3 sentences I knew I would love it. Spoiler alert!!!!! It ,are me ask questions like, Is the guy with crocodile devourer?, Will Roland ever become a green cloak. If I were you I would read the book. It’s not a waste of money trust me. It’s a great book. Will they find the tailsmen or die trying? You will found out in Spirit Animals 1: Wild Born.

I am a huge fan of Brandon Mull's Fablehaven series and The Candy Shop War series, so naturally when I read what this book was about and who the author was, I instantly purchased it. I feel like the story could have been much better written and had more action. The idea of kids with spirit animals that give them powers is a unique and exciting idea. Sadly, the way it was developed in this book was not the best. Most of the time, I found the book a bit childish. The main characters acted like whiny children who were afraid of everything. If I were in the position of the main characters I would be happy to receive a spirit animal, since its supposed to be a big honour, but the kids act like its a punishment. They fear their spirit animals and complain about the one they got as if they were trading cards. Plus, many parts of the story were childish in an annoying way that made me want to stop reading. I usually love books that involve magical animals, but this book was a big disappointment, especially when I know what its author is capable of.

This was a good rather short book. Would be great for a young reader. Moves fast so it is not likely to bore you.
This book is very thrilling. They create a whole new world of animals who bound with humans. If I was one of the few with a spirit animal bound I would probably have ether a domestic cat or a red panda. Please note in your review what animal you would be.

I wanted to like this book. I love Brandon Mull. I love his Fablehaven series, the second Candy Shop War book was superb, and the Beyonders series really had some awesome ideas. I didn’t have high hopes for this book. “Multi-author series” usually equals “bland and boring plot with no real distinctiveness,” and “based on an MMORPG” screams “blah characters and blah worldbuilding.” I had . . . medium hopes for the series, though. It seemed worth at least trying, on the strength of Brandon Mull’s name alone. Well, it was . . . vanilla. Not even FRENCH vanilla, just cheap, imitation store-brand vanilla. Nothing about it was actually BAD, it’s just that it was so very unimaginative and so very cliche that nothing actually made it rise above . . . well . . . anything. Boring, drab, and ultimately forgettable. Don’t bother with it. I wanted to like it, but it’s really got nothing to make it distinct or interesting.

I very much enjoyed this first book in the series. It starts out with four disparate threads connected by a common ritual, and I was concerned that most of the book would consist of tracking these threads to their inevitable connection. I’m not too big a fan of such stories. Thankfully, within a few chapters, everyone is on track, and the real fun begins. I like most of the main characters, with one exception; I hasten to add that my dislike of her is through no fault of the writing. On the contrary, it is because the characters are so well-rendered that I can invest enough emotion to dislike her. Or more accurately, to like her least of the four protagonists. I recommend this book to fans of fantasy -- anyone from about fourth grade and up. When I ordered the book, I did so because I thought it might be slightly reminiscent of the Animorphs series. It’s not, but it’s still quite an enjoyable read. I’ll be reading the second book straightaway.

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