**Wildwood**

**Colin Meloy and Carson Ellis**

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 “Wildwood” by Colin Meloy and Carson Ellis is a fantastical wonderland with many creative species and cultures. It’s a story about Prue (13) and Curtis(13) who have to venture into the Impassable Wilderness to save Prue’s brother from the dark forces of the forest and get out safely.

 The story of these two’s adventure and the friends they make along the way. I like the way the story doesn’t shy away from the political side of the warring factions in the Impassable Wilderness. It also keeps it simple enough to understand so that it doesn’t take away from the action and actually helps build some character development. The book teaches you that there are good people in bad places and vice versa.

 This novel contains a bit of graphic content including blood violence so I would recommend this book to kids between the ages 10 to 16. I like how Prue and Curtis got seperated and learned about the different sides of the fight only to stop the antagonist with their combined forces. All in all I think this a great book you might find yourself rereading before you go to bed sometimes.

**Recommended books:**

Ready Player One by Ernest Cline
York: The Shadow Cipher by Laura Ruby

The Last Magician by Lisa Maxwell

Satellite by Nick Lake

The Hive by Barry Lyga & Morgan Baden