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### **ABOUT BETH FEHLBAUM**

Hi, there! I'm Beth Fehlbaum, author of the YA novels Find the Moon, Big Fat Disaster, The Patience Trilogy (Courage in Patience, Hope in Patience, and Truth in Patience), and coauthor with Dr. Matt E. Jaremko of the creative non-fiction book Trauma Recovery: Sessions with Dr. Matt. I'm currently working on my first romance, a New Adult novel. Authenticity and finding one's voice are frequent themes in my work, and they are absolutely essential themes in my life, as well.

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### FIND THE MOON

Genre: Young Adult Page Count: 298

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Distributor: Ingram

### SYNOPSIS

For as long as she can remember, Kylie Briscoe's been searching for the moon even though she has no idea why it soothes her. Placed in an impossible situation by her mother, Kylie cries for help. It brings rescuers and a new life, but it feels more like a death sentence when she is separated from her three-year-old sister Aliza, the only person Kylie's ever really loved. Now she's in tiny Patience, Texas, with her eccentric potty-mouthed grandmother, everpatient stargazing grandfather, an uncle who reminds her a lot of a cop who terrified her during a drug bust, a herd of Norwegian Dwarf goats, their "guard donkeys," and three canine roommates occupying Kylie's former nursery.

When the authorities make a mistake that could cost her everything, Kylie must decide whether to tell the truth-all of it-in order to save herself and her sister.

### CHECK OUT THE BOOK TRAILER



### WHAT OTHER WRITERS ARE SAYING

"Find the Moon is one of those wonderful novels that compels readers to close the back cover, saying, 'That's me.' Beth Fehlbaum has written Find the Moon with unique authenticity. It is a story you will believe, and one that will stay with you. This novel is going to be around for a while!"

CHRIS CRUTCHER

"From page one, you want Kylie to be all right. By page ten, you want her to believe she deserves to be all right. A gripping, heart-wrenching, affirming read."

#### **ELLEN HOPKINS**

"Heart-wrenching. From beginning to end, I ugly-cried through an entire box of Kleenex. Readers can't help but fall in love with and cheer for Kylie, a survivor and overcomer."

**CHRISTINE KOHLER** 

Equal parts grit and grace, Find the Moon is a harrowing, hopeful triumph! Once again, Beth Fehlbaum proves herself a rockstar truth-teller at the top of her game."

STEVEN PARLATO

## WHAT THE CRITICS ARE SAYING

"An emotional journey from lost to found, featuring engaging characterization."

#### KIRKUS REVIEWS

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https://www.kirkusreviews.com/book-reviews/beth-fehlbaum/find-the-moon/

"Readers will find this tale of deep sisterly love and human resilience a heart-warming and inspiring read."

### BOOKLIFE

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https://booklife.com/project/find-the-moon-81608

"Both heartbreaking and joyfully uplifting, this is the story of the bravery and resilience of a girl who has lived life at its absolute worst and found her way out, often in spite of herself. Kylie is a superhero, braver and stronger than she ever believed she could be. I couldn't put it down."

~Debbie VanZandt, Librarian, Tuloso-Midway High School, Corpus Christi, TX and Vice-President, Teen Bookfest by the Bay

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# **EXCERPT**

# Read pages 1-15 of Find the Moon here.

# The Names in Find the Moon

Several years ago, I was teaching at Malakoff High School in Malakoff, Texas. It's a small school, and I have the joy of teaching and knowing some students their entire high school careers. At the end of 2017, a student named Riley asked me if we could have a Creative Writing Club the next year. I agreed, and the founding members of the club were Riley, Fantasia (Fancy), Hazel, Meagan, and Aliza. When you read *Find the Moon*, you will see these names. I promised the girls that when my I wrote my next book, their names would be in it. I also had an "Ethan" and a "Casey", whose names you also find in the book.

The dogs, Chase, Kevin, and Jake, are my dogs, although, sadly, Chase and Kevin passed away in 2021. Onslow and Daisy's namesakes are the goats who reside in my back yard. My middle name is "Lee," (Honey's name is "Lee Ann"), and my husband's middle name is Olivier (Papa's name is "Ollie").

I LOVE this book so much, in part because there is so much LOVE for those in my life who have filled my heart on a daily basis and continue to do so, even now. The portraits below of Kevin and Chase are by my dear friend and "chosen brother", Steven Parlato. Jake, center, is still going strong as of 10/23.

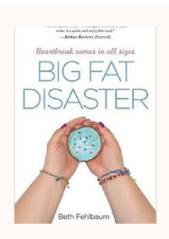






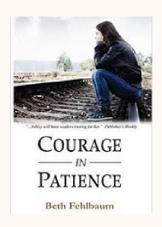
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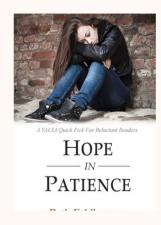
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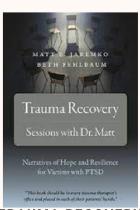




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