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Deep Freeze

Fifth book in the thrilling Crypto series.

The alarm has sounded in the Arctic. If the Crypto organisation doesn't get the sea monsters back to safe waters, there's a big chance that many of them will be discovered. Crypto needs Ophelia's help. But it isn't just Ophelia and Bernard following Dalis towards the Arctic. The aquarium boss and World Zoo are also hot on their heels on the lookout for new attractions.

This is going to be a dramatic and icy expedition, one where Ophelia uncovers hints of a new sea monster – and clues about her own family and past.

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Open Ocean

The aquarium boss will be travelling to the USA soon, and finally it looks like Salt Cove is heading for quieter times. But then a mysterious lady shows up and steals something belonging to Ophelia. Why?

Once again, Ophelia and Bernard have to set out on a journey that is dangerous for them and for the monsters they are trying to protect.

Open Ocean is the third book in the Crypto series. The graphic novel is written and drawn by Hans Jørgen Sandnes, the man behind the illustrations for the popular Detective Agency no. 2 books.

“A magical underwater world...The design is consummate and professional.”

- VG

“Hans Jørgen Sandnes (...) conjures great drama when, in words and pictures, he appeals to our fascination for unfamiliar underwater creatures that may need our help.”

- NRK

“This is a highly promising, exciting and entertaining first instalment in a planned children’s series.”

- Nomination jury, Ministry of Culture’s Awards for Children’s and Youth Literature

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Frost mist

Ophelia and Bernard are on Fingal's island, where the top secret Crypto organisation is located. Why does Crypto want to keep all underwater monsters secret? And why does the organisation feel so familiar to Ophelia? It seems that Crypto is only telling part of the truth, and Ophelia decides to explore the island on her own. But time is running out, especially when it turns out that the aquarium boss is on his way!

Frost Mist is the fourth book in the Crypto series. The graphic novel is written and drawn by Hans Jørgen Sandnes, who is also behind the illustrations for the popular Detective Agency no. 2 books

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The Hurricane *Crypto*

Summer is over and Krako the sea monster is still being held captive by the boss of the aquarium...but when the aquarium is forced to close due to a hurricane warning, Ophelia and Bernard spot their chance to break in. They are going to rescue Krako and reunite her with Little Krako, who is still out there swimming in the open.

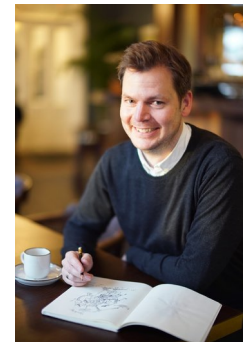
But even though they get help from Synne and Philip, it doesn't quite go according to plan – there are powerful people willing to go a long way to keep Krako under lock and keAs a new sea monster heads for Salt Cove, things are not going to get any easier.

The Hurricane is the second book in the Crypto series. The book is written and illustrated by Hans Jørgen Sandnes, who was also behind the illustrations for the popular Detective Agency No. 2 books.

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Into the Deep. Crypto

First book in a brilliant new comic-book series.

Ophelia is moving to the small coastal town of Saltfjord. She's going to live there with her new foster family, the cheerful and sporty Birken family. Luckily, she soon meets neighbour Bernard – he's a fisherman and shares Ophelia's fascination for undersea creatures. Ophelia would much rather discuss cryptozoology than hang off a climbing wall.

On her first night in her new home, Ophelia sees something mysterious from her window. What's really hiding beneath the surface of the waves? And might it have something to do with the boy who dived into the sea and vanished?

Follow Ophelia and Bernard into the deep!

– Into the Deep is the first book in the new comic series Crypto, written and illustrated by Hans Jørgen Sandnes, who is behind the illustrations of the popular Detective Agency No. 2 books, among other things.

– Exciting, brilliant and fun – a graphic novel that avid young readers will love diving into!

– Cryptozoology is the study of mythological, unknown, or extinct animals that are thought to exist or to have existed, although there is no traditional evidence for their existence.

– In Into the Deep, Ophelia encounters an underwater creature for the very first time – but not all those who are curious about the creature have equally good intentions.

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