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Mariedl

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A giant girl, a freak show, a daring escape: Mariedl’s story celebrates being different, friendship, and the search for a place to truly belong.

Mariedl, a giant born in a small village, struggles with the incomprehension of others. Rejected and exploited by a circus, she learns she’s not alone in being different. With her new friends, she escapes and finds a new balance between her roots and her freedom. A touching fable about friendship, self-acceptance, and uniting different ways of being unique to build a world where everyone has a place.

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