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# Lumberjanes Vol. 2: Friendship To The Max



## Synopsis

What a mystery! Jo, April, Mal, Molly, and Ripley are not your average campers, and Miss Quinzella Thiskwin Penniquiquil Thistle Crumpet's Camp for Hardcore Lady-Types is not your average summer camp. Between the river monsters, magic, and the art of friendship bracelets, this summer is only just beginning. Join the Lumberjanes as they take on raptors and a sibling rivalry that only myths are made of. This *New York Times* bestseller and Eisner award-nominated series is written by awesome all-star Noelle Stevenson (Nimona) and brilliant newcomer Grace Ellis, and illustrated by the tremendously talented Brooke Allen (A Home for Mr. Easter).

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Gr 5 Up — Jo, April, Mal, Molly, and Ripley, aka. the Lumberjanes, continue their adventures at Miss Quinzella Thiskwin Penniquiquil Thistle Crumpet's Camp for Hardcore Lady Types with as much verve and panache as in the first volume. Collecting issues five to eight, this work follows the five friends as they confront crazed dinosaurs, possessed insects, and competitive Greek deities. Some unanswered questions from Lumberjanes Vol. 1: Beware the Kitten Holy (BOOM! Box, 2015) are cleared up — many of the bizarre goings-on are due to a sibling rivalry between Apollo and Artemis, who have been disguised as campers. As the pals try to aid Artemis in her

disagreement with her brother (against their wills), they also struggle with first crushes, friendship troubles, and self-doubt. The creators balance the supernatural high jinks and summer camp standbys (anxious counselors and Capture the Flag) along with poignant coming-of-age moments with a deft and thoughtful hand. The variety of the panels reinforces the energetic pace of each tale, and the psychedelic color palette against forest greens in outdoor daylight scenes and grays and dark blues of nighttime scenes will delight reluctant readers and make graphic novel fans out of neophytes. The feminist leanings of the dialogue, the field guide snippets that open each chapter, and back matter filled with variant covers are the icing on the cake. VERDICT A must-have for all graphic novel collections. —Shelley Diaz, School Library Journal

The comic was first published in June 2012 and doubled as Stevenson's senior thesis.

I can't get enough of this fun little series. I've enjoyed both volumes tremendously and am finding myself laughing over and over again. I love how much these are focused on friendship and yet learning to be a strong independent person. It's awesome to see all this female empowerment that's just good clean fun. And just in case you have discovered the magical creatures lurking in this world you're missing out on them and the battle between reality and fantasy. This one fell a little short for me, but I still really enjoyed it. I look forward to continuing on again with volume 3! If you haven't read these yet, please do!

I love the dialogue between the girls and the camp leader. The characters are all so realistic and relatable. This comic cracks me up!

My 12-year-old daughter loves these! Buying them with her own money has motivated her to do extra work around the house!

lumberjanes are the stuff, homettes. I really like the quirky writing and art. I bought these for my daughter but I like them too.confession time, yes I am a grown man. yes I liked reading the comic intended for pre-college girls.well maybe a little shame, it's still worth it though.

I'VE NEVER BEEN SO EXCITED ABOUT A COMIC IN MY LIFE. I am a comic person and I've read many series that I've loved, but this one STRIKES MY CORE and MAKES ME EXCITED ABOUT

LIFE. Yes, I recommend reading them and being happy and reveling in all these girls. Yes. Yessss.

I'm so annoyed at myself for waiting so long to read this it was absolutely amazing!

I bought Volume 2 for my sister after she bought me Volume 1 (and read it before she gave it to me, which got her hooked!). I'd already read these issues online, but it's even more beautiful in print! The colors are so rich and vibrant, and it really brings the story to life. As for the stories, it's a perfect blend of magic and mayhem, action and adventure, humor as well as nods to serious topics, all with the awesome hardcore lady types we know and love--so, typical Lumberjanes! I'm really so grateful to have found this series. Even as a 20-something year old, I found it incredibly inspiring--even healing--to read a story where girls were not only placed front and center, but were allowed to be real, natural, dirty (hey, they're at camp!), and diverse--not to mention going on epic magical adventures! Honestly, even as a lifelong feminist who really pays attention to media's portrayal of girls and women, it sometimes takes series like Lumberjanes for it to really hit me how rarely media focuses on girls, their friendships or relationships, or their diversity, and when it does focus on girls, demands them to always look pretty and perfect (according to \*their\* standards of beauty, of course). More than that, it made me realize how much consuming that type of media affects my own self image and self esteem. Even when you think you're enjoying all the "Strong Female Characters" on TV or movies, the fact that the vast majority are still skinny, white, conventionally attractive, cishet women with perfect hair and makeup all the time, well...it takes a toll. Lumberjanes made me feel more comfortable in my own skin than I had in a long time, and for that reason alone, I hope this series reaches as many girls (and boys!) as possible. Keep it up, Lumberjanes!

My daughter is a huge fan of the Lumberjanes whose mystical girl scout camp strikes a cord with her own imagination and girl scout adventures.

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