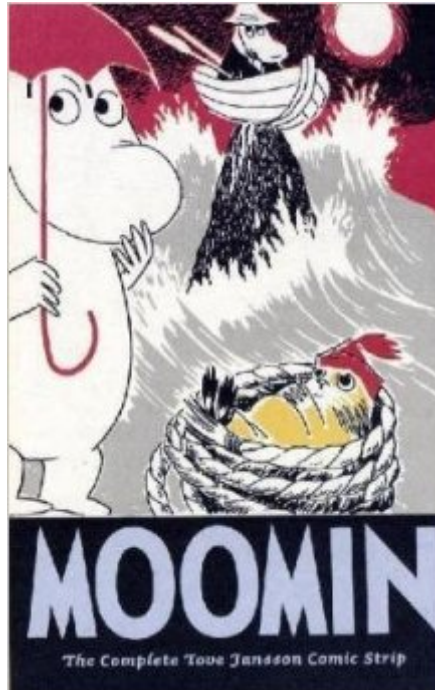


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# Moomin Book Four: The Complete Tove Jansson Comic Strip



## Synopsis

More delightful tales from the legendary Finnish artist Drawn & Quarterly's bestselling Moomin series, created by the legendary children's author Tove Jansson, is now in its fourth installment. The series is the winner of the Harvey Award and has been nominated for multiple Eisner Awards.

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## Customer Reviews

This book marks our first insight into Lars Jansson's take on the Moomin world, as well as his sister Tove continuing to dispel the charming, witty and often jabbing Moomin world from her pencil. Only loyal fans can tell that the first two stories are Lars's, the remaining three Tove's - from the choice of subject matter as well as the subtle (but still present) style differences. At this point, Tove's contract at London Evening News was about to expire and she declined to continue, so her brother Lars/Lasse stepped in. Lars's stories are about how Moominpappa builds a time machine by complete accident, when cleaning a clock and a sewing machine. He and his family see this as cause for adventure and so they go back in time to the Wild West. I've always loved Moominpappa, and his desire for action as well as his frustration at the lack of authenticity of the "Wild West" is so heartwarming, it's downright entertaining. Things don't go much better for the family in the second story, when Snork Maiden suggests they go back to Rococo times. Lasse and Tove clearly shared this world and its wittiness and jabs at life. The jabs at life are perhaps even fiercer in the three stories by Tove. One is an adaptation of her "Comet in Moominland" novel, but naturally with its own little witty characteristic twists. The other two stories, "The Conscientious Moomins" and "Moomin's

Golden Tail", however, could hardly be more a satire of human behaviour. In "The Conscientious Moomins", a social worker tells the Moomins how irresponsibly they have been living. Moominpappa is worried and puts his new sense of duty above his sense of pleasure, to the unhappiness of his wife and son.

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