


THE FLYING BURRITOS



EAGLE GAMMA • AVRIL OLACHEA



ONCE UPON A TIME, THERE WAS A BURRITO,
THAT IS TO SAY A SMALL DONKEY, WHO
LIKED TO WALK EVERYWHERE EVEN THOUGH
HE WENT EVERYWHERE VERY SLOWLY.

ONE DAY, WHILE WALKING, THE BURRITO
RAISED HIS VIEW AND DISCOVERED MANY
THINGS FLYING UP THERE, IN THE SKY.

HE SAW HIS FRIENDS: THE BIRDS AND THE BEES.
HE ALSO SAW AIRPLANES AND ROCKETS.

THAT NIGHT, WHILE HE WAS SLEEPING,
THE BURRITO IMAGINED HIMSELF FLYING.



"IT WASN'T ONLY A DREAM. I REALLY FLEW."
"I FELT FREE AND HAPPY!" HE BRAYED.





EVER SINCE HE HAD THAT DREAM,
WHAT THE BURRITO WANTED MOST,
ABOVE EVERYTHING ELSE, WAS TO FLY.

**"ONE DAY, I SWEAR,
I'M GOING TO FLY AGAIN!"**


HEARING THIS, A NEARBY OWL,
WHO WAS FLYING AMONG THE TREES,
STOPPED ON A BRANCH TO OBSERVE
HOW THE BURRITO WAS TRYING
TO FLY.






"I KNOW! I'M GOING TO FLY LIKE AN EAGLE!" HE EXCLAIMED.

AND RAISING AND LOWERING HIS LITTLE EARS WITH GREAT EFFORT, THE BURRITO TRIED AND TRIED AND TRIED. BUT HE DIDN'T SUCCEED.



"PARDON, LITTLE GUY, BUT
YOU CAN'T FLY LIKE I CAN,"
SAID AN EAGLE WHO WAS NEARBY.
"AND WHY NOT?"
ASKED THE BURRITO, CRYING SADLY.

"BECAUSE..."
ANSWERED THE EAGLE.
"YOU ARE NOT AS STRONG
AND BRAVE AS I AM."
SO, THE BURRITO CONTINUED,
THINKING.



"I KNOW! I'M GOING TO FLY LIKE A BEE!"
HE EXCLAIMED.

AND MOVING HIS LITTLE EARS
VERY QUICKLY, THE BURRITO
TRIED AND TRIED AND TRIED.
BUT STILL HE DIDN'T SUCCEED.



"PARDON, LITTLE ANGEL, BUT YOU CAN'T FLY LIKE I CAN," SAID A BEE WHO WAS FLUTTERING NEAR HIM. "AND WHY NOT?" ASKED THE BURRITO SADLY.

"BECAUSE..." RESPONDED THE BEE. "YOU ARE NOT AS FAST, OR AS LOVING, AS I AM. SO THE BURRITO GOT TO THINKING.

A stylized illustration of a burrito character with large, wide eyes and long, thin ears, perched on a dark tree branch. Next to it is a small owl with large eyes and a yellow beak. The background is a dark blue night sky with a large, textured white moon. The scene is framed by green leaves on the left and right sides.

"I KNOW, I'M GOING TO FLY LIKE AN OWL!" HE EXCLAIMED.

AND OPENING HIS EYES BIG AND WIDE,
AND EXTENDING HIS LITTLE EARS AS MUCH
AS HE COULD, THE BURRITO TRIED AND TRIED
AND TRIED, WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO SUCCEED.



"PARDON, LITTLE BOY, BUT
YOU CAN'T FLY LIKE I CAN,"
SAID THE OWL.

"AND WHY NOT?"

THE BURRITO ASKED HIM, CRYING.

"BECAUSE..." THE OWL EXPLAINED TO HIM.


"YOU ARE NOT AS CLEAR AND WISE AS I AM."

SO THE BURRITO, DRYING HIS TEARS,
GOT TO THINKING OF WHAT
HE COULD DO TO FLY.



"I KNOW! I'LL BOARD AN AIRPLANE!" HE EXCLAIMED.

AND THE BURRITO TRIED AND TRIED
AND TRIED TO GET ONTO AN AIRPLANE,
BUT HE DIDN'T FIT.

A cartoon illustration of a burrito standing on a road next to a large airplane. A stewardess is talking to the burrito. The burrito is blue and has a white filling. The airplane is white with a black outline. The stewardess is wearing a black uniform and a blue hat. The background shows a green landscape with trees and a blue sky with clouds.


"EXCUSE ME, LITTLE SIR, BUT BURRITOS
CAN'T BOARD AIRPLANES,"
COMMENTED THE STEWARDESS.

"OH, WHAT A SHAME!"
CRIED THE BURRITO, SADLY.



SO, THE BURRITO SAT DOWN TO THINK. AND
SEEING HIS FRIEND THE OWL, HE ASKED HIM:
"HOW CAN I FLY? I WANT TO AND I TRY VERY
HARD, BUT I CAN'T GET IT."
"YOU CAN'T?"
ASKED IN HIS TURN THE OWL.

"NO, I CAN'T. I ONLY
HAVE THESE CLUMSY FEET.
I SUPPOSE I NEED LITTLE
WINGS TO FLY.



"LOOK," SAID THE OWL.
"ARE YOU SURE THAT
YOU CAN'T?
CONSIDER THIS:
HOW DID YOU ARRIVE
UP TO HERE?"

"HOW DID I ARRIVE UP TO HERE?"
RESPONDED THE BURRITO, LOOKING
ALL AROUND.
"WELL, NORMALLY, WALKING."

"WE'LL SEE. WHEN YOU WALK,
DON'T YOU LIFT YOUR FEET?"

THE OWL QUESTIONED HIM.

"WELL, YES," ANSWERED THE BURRITO.

"AND WHEN I FLY, DON'T I LIFT MY FEET?"

THE OWL INSISTED.

"WELL, YES," SAID THE BURRITO.

"AND WHEN WE ADVANCE, DON'T WE MAKE
THE EFFORT TO LIFT OUR FEET AND MOVE OURSELVES
FORWARD?" THE OWL SAID NEWLY.

"WELL, YES," CONFIRMED THE BURRITO.



"AND?" ASKED THE OWL.

"AND!" BRAYED THE BURRITO.
AND SUDDENLY HE UNDERSTOOD
EVERYTHING.



"I KNOW!" EXCLAIMED THE BURRITO.
"I CAN FLY. I TRIED AND TRIED
AND TRIED. AND FROM SO MUCH
TRYING I GOT TO FLY. I'M NOT
AS STRONG AND BRAVE AS THE EAGLE.
AND I'M NOT AS FAST AND LOVING
AS THE BEE. OR AS CLEAR AND WISE
AS YOU, OWL."

"AND YOU CAN'T GET ON AIRPLANES,"
THE OWL REMINDED HIM.
"YES, YES."
SIGHED THE BURRITO.



"BUT I'M STUBBORN AND IMAGINATIVE.
SO, I CAN FLY EVERYWHERE!!"

HEE HEE HEE HAW!

...AND THE BURRITO FLEW IN THE SKY



"AND FURTHERMORE," ADDED THE OWL.



"ALL OF THIS TIME, WEREN'T YOU FLYING
WITH ALL OF US,
WITH ALL OF THE WORLD, IN SPACE?"



"WOW!"

EXCLAIMED WITH SURPRISE
THE FLYING BURRITO.

"NOW I KNOW. I COULD ALWAYS
FLY AND I AM HAPPY!"



WITH IMAGINATION AND DETERMINATION YOU WILL ARRIVE FURTHER
AND YOU WILL BE ABLE TO DO MORE THINGS THAN ANY BEAST
WITH LITTLE WINGS.

THE END

THE FLYING
BURRITO



BIRDS&BEES EDICIONES