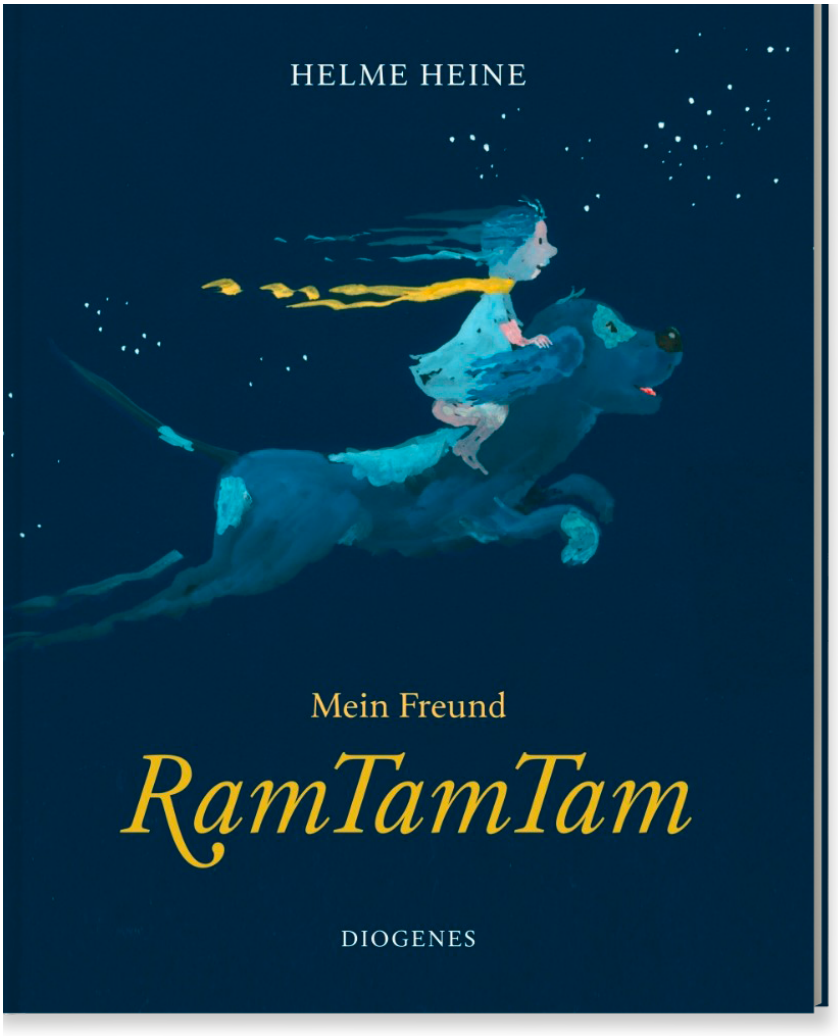
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Book factsheet

Helme Heine
My Friend RamTamTam

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Every night, a child dreams about the big wide world and fantastical treasures. And suddenly the big adventure lies just around the corner: RamTamTam. A tousled, scrappy dog who becomes a best friend. For years on end they go through thick and thin together, until RamTamTam, now old and grey, falls asleep and never wakes up. But their shared adventures are far from over.

Children's Books
36 pages
22 × 27.5 × 0.8 cm
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Spanish/world (Anaya/AdN)
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Movie adaptation

1992/93: Sauerkraut
Director: Helme Heine
Cast: 13teilige Zeichentrickfilmserie

Praise

My Friend RamTamTam

»And we find ourselves leafing again and again through the sensitively designed pages of this enchanting children's title.« – Westdeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, Essen

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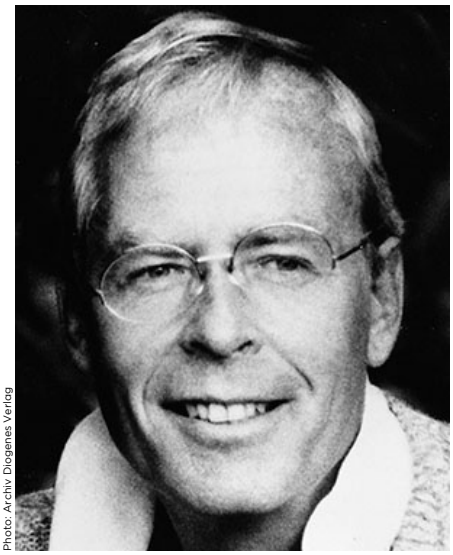
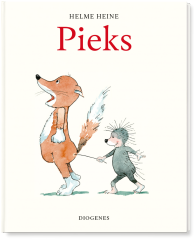


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Helme Heine (1941 – 2025) authored more than thirty children's books, with millions of copies sold around the world. He received numerous awards and honours, including the ›Grand Prize of the German Academy of Children's and Young Adults' Literature‹, and the ›Best Illustrated Children's Books of the Year‹ by the *New York Times* on a number of occasions. Helme Heine died in New Zealand in 2025.



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