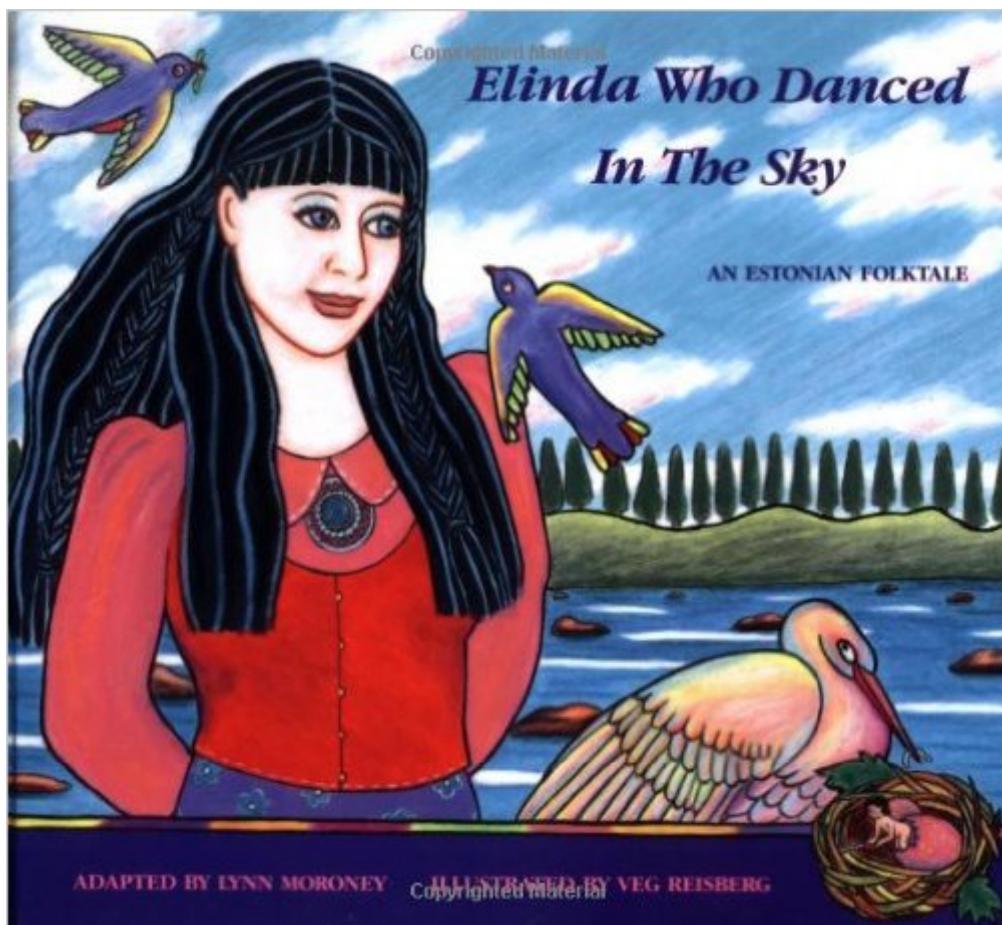


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# Elinda Who Danced In The Sky: An Estonian Folktale



## **Synopsis**

The legend of a sky goddess who overcomes her disappointment at losing Prince Borealis and goes on to reign as Queen of the Sky.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

It's only been 8 years since Estonia and the Baltics as a whole have been mapped for Americans. Therefore I find it unfortunate that the drawings, especially of Elinda, do not resemble the ethnic types found in the Baltic region. The illustrator seemed to have had little or no knowledge of Estonian history, traditions, folk art, costumes, and Baltic types, important, if we want to use this lovely story as a teaching tool, bringing geography and culture together.

This is an excellent rendition of an unusual myth -- an Estonian version of the tales of Roman gods which explain why the earth works. It talks about why Elinda won't marry the north star, the moon or the sun. Lovely illustrations.

We love this book. The illustrations are bold and bright, as is the heroine, (who does her job well and knows her own mind.) The tale is a nice rendition of how the Milky Way came to be, one I've never read anywhere else.

It was wonderful to read this estonian folk tale, but as fascinating as it was I, too, was disappointed in the depiction of Elinda. After I got over my excitement at seeing an Estonian story in print.

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