

'RETURN TO NIM'S ISLAND'

SYNOPSIS

When Nim and her marine scientist father Jack learn that the Buccaneer Resort Company plans to buy Nim's Island and build a resort, Jack heads to Brisbane to stop the sale, leaving Nim behind to find three endangered species and have the island declared a protected sanctuary. Jack makes Nim promise to be safe and watch out for his nerdy, uptight and squeamish intern Feliz.

Meanwhile in Brisbane, Edmund, a lonely teenager, runs away from his fighting parents and charters a fishing boat to take him to Nim's island. He lies to the fisherman, Booker and his two sons Ben and Frankie, about where he's actually headed. Then he ditches them in the middle of the night, rowing the rest of the way to the island in a tiny inflatable dinghy.

While searching for endangered species, Nim runs smack into Edmund exploring her island. She tries to send him back to the mainland, but he sabotages his dinghy leaving her stuck with him. Begrudgingly, she lets Edmund accompany her on her search for endangered species. At first he's terrible – squeamish and loud – but they learn to work together and film several species with Edmund's fancy camera.

On the other side of the island, Booker and his sons make camp after following Edmund to Nim's Island. To make matters worse they're not fisherman – they're poachers.

Meanwhile, Felix tries to keep his promise to Jack and get out of the lab into the field. It's one disaster after another until he ends up caught in one of the poacher's nets. Nim and Edmund also stumble upon the poachers capturing birds in cages, talking about how Edmund led them to the island. Edmund tries to apologize, to explain that he didn't lead them here on purpose, but Nim feels betrayed. She calls Jack, leaving him a message, begging him to come home.

Nim decides she has to put off her mission to document three endangered species and free the captured animals first. She and Selkie, a sea lion and Nim's best friend, release a queen bee at the poachers' camp to attract a swarm and chase them away so that Nim will have a chance to free the animals. But Nim can't cut through the knots Booker used to close the cages, and when the poachers head back to their camp, Selkie does some fancy tricks to lead them away from Nim. Finding Selkie gone, Nim races home where she sees Booker threatening Selkie with a knife! She tries to fight him off, but Booker kidnaps the sea lion to sell to the Russian circus. On the mainland, Jack gets Nim's message and hurries back to the island.

When it seems like all hope is lost, Edmund shows up to apologize for everything and Arbie the Lorikeet drops the keys to Booker's boat in Nim's lap which means there's still time to rescue Selkie. With the help of Felix – who freed himself from the net and wants revenge on the poachers – and using Booker's boat keys as bait, they trap Ben and Frankie in quicksand and free Selkie.

But Booker follows them to – The Cormorant Cliffs. Knowing Selkie's safe and assuming the poachers are all caught, Nim and Edmund scale the Cliffs to find one more endangered species.

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Right after they capture footage of an amazing lizard, Booker drops rocks on them from above, chasing them into a crevice. At the last moment, Jack saves the day and knocks Booker out. Jack forgives Nim for doing something dangerous when he realizes she and Edmund have saved the island. With the poachers ready for delivery to the coast guard, Nim and Edmund say goodbye. It's clear they both like each other, but neither can admit it.

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