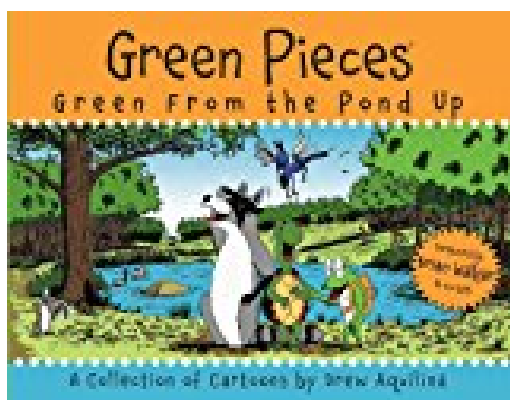


# [PDF] Green Pieces: Green From The Pond Up

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**Description:**

**From Publishers Weekly** The premise of Aquilina's comic strip, collected here, is the nature-minded hijinks of a turtle, a dragonfly, a raccoon, and a frog who live in a wetlands environment--a more explicitly eco-friendly version of Pogo.. Regrettably, it's nowhere near Pogo's class. Aquilina's not a strong enough artist to give his animal characters a convincing range of expression or establish much of a setting, and his sense of humor, as with the way he lays out his images, is a bone-pale imitation of early Bloom County. (Even the better jokes are clumsily paced, and a gag

involving Iggy the turtle shining his shell with Turtle Wax is repeated until it's no longer even vaguely funny.) There are a few extended sequences, like one in which Iggy gets a crush on a squirrel, and another in which Cabby the frog retrieves a dinosaur egg from the Cretaceous period and hatches it--although baby Rex vanishes after its first few appearances. Strangest of all, 15 pages before the end, a story line ends on a cliffhanger, and the major Green Pieces characters are never seen again; the rest of the book is one-off gags about various plants and animals, unrelated to anything earlier.

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**Review** Don't you miss the old fashioned comic strips? What if you came across one that wasn't only funny, but also informative and educational? That is exactly what author and cartoonist Drew Aquilina accomplished with *Green Pieces: Green from the Pond Up*. Through the main characters, Iggman, Radic, Roc, and Cabby, the reader is made to feel like they are right at home at the pond. Drew has been interested in nature since he was a young boy and always wondered what the animals were thinking while looking at us humans. *Green Pieces* is written from the animals perspective which lends a comical twist to this comic strip. Not only do you follow the four main characters throughout the book, but are also introduced to other animals such as geese, sheep, and deer. These lend a bit of a break in the main story lines that kids and parents alike will appreciate. Aquilina's illustrations are unsurpassable. He truly brings to life the animals at the pond. These days, being green is the new it thing. Although *Green Pieces* deals with environmental issues like human waste and pollution, it does so in a way that doesn't make the reader feel bombarded with going green demands. He uses the main characters to bring these issues to light through their eyes. I cannot say enough good things about *Green Pieces: Green from the Pond Up* or about Drew Aquilina. This book should be in every home and every classroom across America. It will soon be released in full color which will only further bring these animals to life. For a daily dose of *Green Pieces*, check out its website, [greenpiecescartoons.com](http://greenpiecescartoons.com). --San Francisco Book Review by Jennifer LeBrun

This book is sure to raise environmental awareness... that is, between laughs. It's charming and clever, fresh and funny. A delightful eco-gem! Still, my litany of happy adjectives cannot prepare a reader for the joy of *Green Pieces*. Although I admire the creative genius of a well-conceived strip, I honestly have never been drawn in enough to read one with any consistency. And sadly, I am a little like your friend Don, my humor button is sometimes hard to push. So despite feeling very open-minded about the experience of reviewing *Green Pieces*, I was a little worried I would not be able to relate to your comic book format, environmentally themed or not. To make matters worse, the first time I clicked on the PDF was at 3am after a sleepless night of catch-up work. Admittedly not the best hour for rousing a chuckle. Nevertheless, the month was getting away from me so I popped opened the file and started to read... Fifty pages later I was still in my office... laughing out loud! I kept telling myself, Just one more page, then I will go to bed. But I could not stop. What a delightful cast of characters! Iggman and Radic are hysterical! I love how Iggy comes out of his shell. And his obsession with turtle wax. Radic endlessly bugging him. The cameos with Cabby, dumpster diving Roc, recycling squirrels, and the rest of the animals from pond to desert to sea. You turned me into a fan. Marvelous job! --Brooke Bessesen, Children's Author, *Look Who Lives in the Desert!* (Ocean!), Zachary Z. Packrat and His Amazing Collections

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