

## CRABBING WITH DAD

A heartwarming children's story that celebrates a favourite Australian pastime from Darwin-based author and illustrator, Paul Seden

**Untangle the crab pots, and zoom up the creek —  
we're going mud crabbing in the boat with Dad.**

*Crabbing with Dad* is a beautiful children's picture book debut that pays homage to the quintessential Australian pursuit of fishing and crabbing with friends and family. Younger children will love reading about the adventures of Mahli and Sam as they go out in the boat with Dad to set crab pots in the creek.

Sunscreen and life jackets on, they zoom off to their secret spot, passing boats and people fishing along the way. It's a good tide to be on the water and they even see Cousin Dan throwing his net.

Crab pots set, they wait patiently. The fun begins when they check the pots and pull up big, angry crabs! Dad teaches the children how to carefully handle the crabs so they don't get nipped!



### About the author and illustrator

**Paul Seden** grew up in Darwin and is descended from the Wuthathi and Muralag people of North Queensland. He loves to draw and tell stories and has a background working with Indigenous kids in the schools of Darwin and remote communities in the Northern Territory.

His first children's book, *Kick with My Left Foot* (Allen & Unwin 2014), was produced through the Emerging Indigenous Picture Book Mentoring Project, a joint initiative between The Little Big Book Club and Allen & Unwin. Paul was also one of thirty Australian storytellers selected for inclusion in *The Hush Treasure Book* (Allen & Unwin 2015), a collection of stories, poems and artwork commissioned by the Hush Music Foundation, an organisation that creates soothing music compilations for children in hospitals across the country.

A fisheries officer and keen recreational fisherman, Paul has a passion for sport and the outdoors and is inspired by the adventures he shares with his family in the creeks around Darwin. *Crabbing with Dad* is the first book he has both written and illustrated.

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