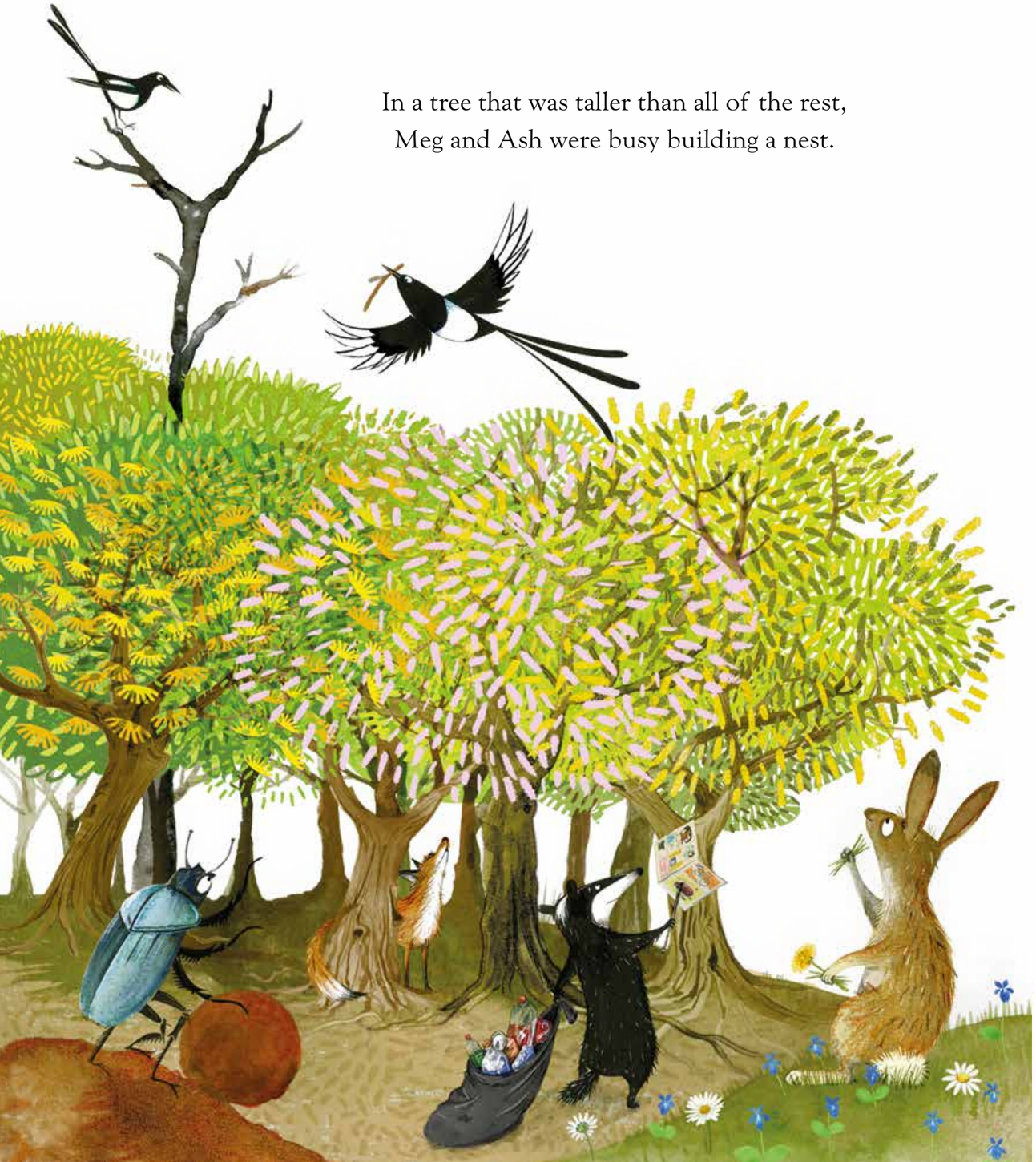


TOO MUCH STUFF!

Emily Gravett

TWO HOOTS

In a tree that was taller than all of the rest,
Meg and Ash were busy building a nest.







They built it from mud, and from grass, and from sticks,
And they dreamed that one day they would fill it with chicks.





Then lastly, to keep it all cosy and clean,
They lined the whole thing with an old magazine.

It wasn't that long before they had laid
Four perfect eggs in the nest that they'd made.

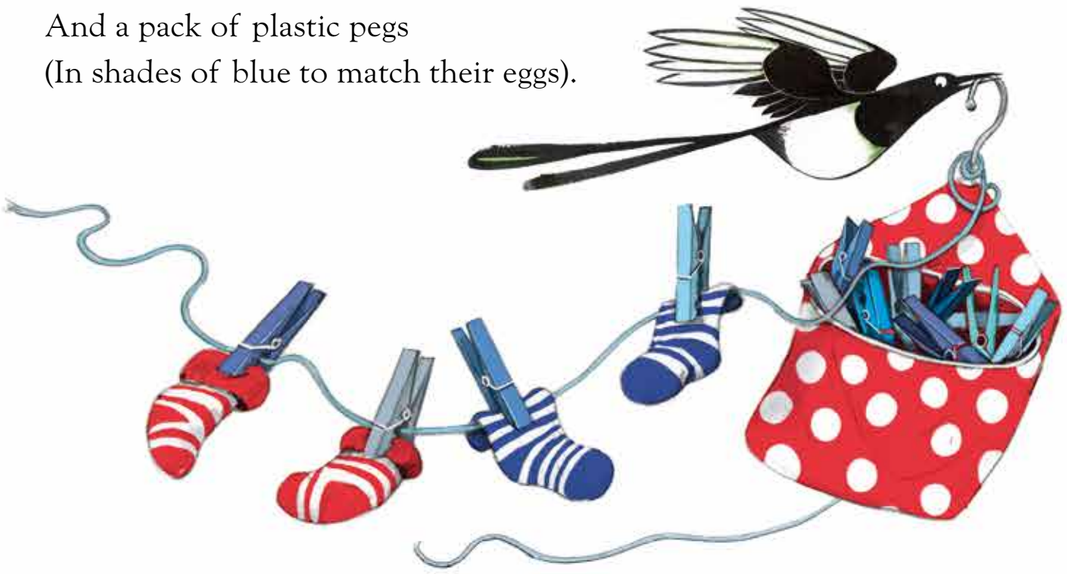
But looking around, they worried their nest
Needed more stuff, to make it the best.

And so, while one of them stayed behind,
The other flew off to go and find
The extra things that they agreed
Their chicks were really going to NEED.

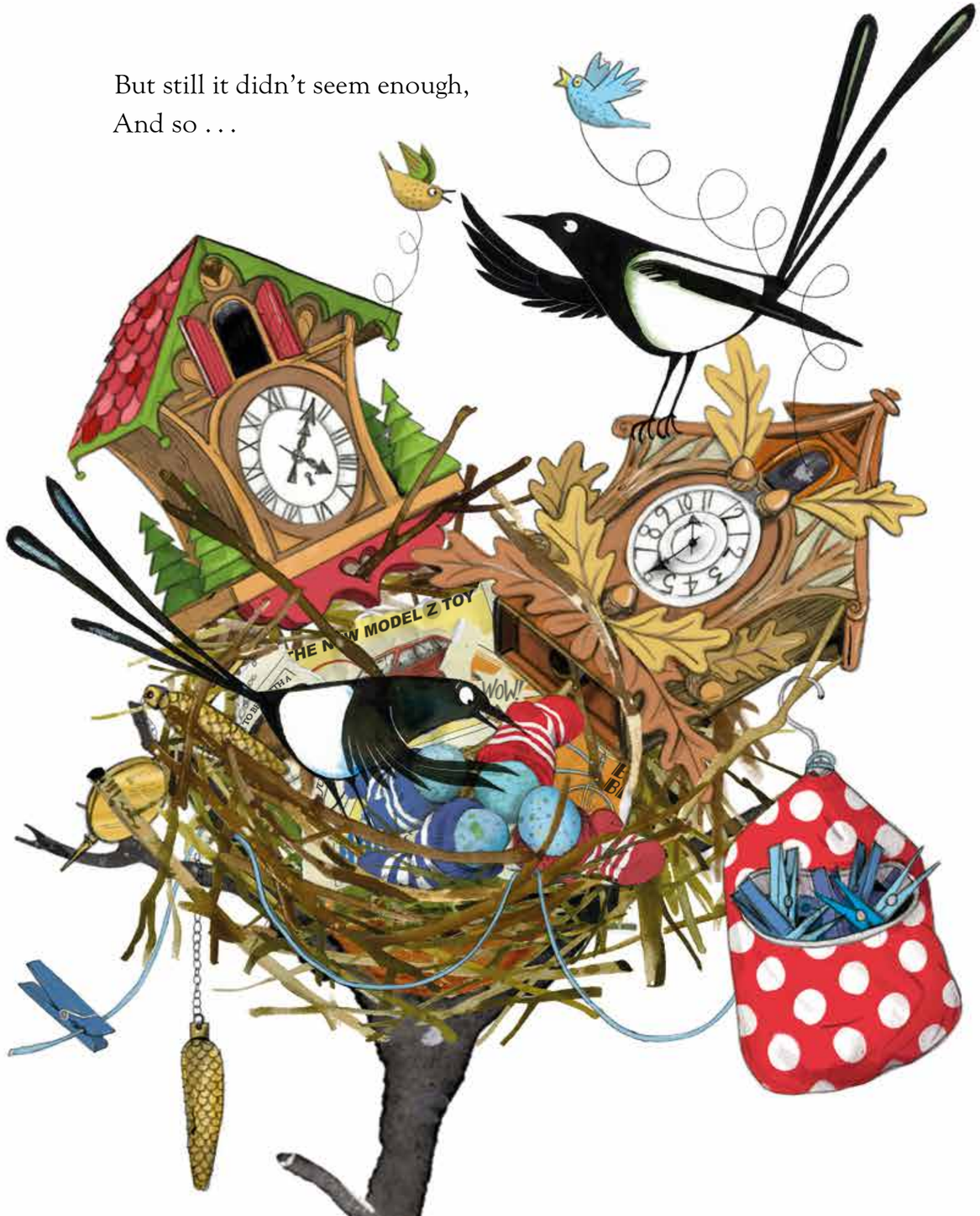
At first they brought back little stuff:



Two ornamental cuckoo clocks,
Four tiny socks,
And a pack of plastic pegs
(In shades of blue to match their eggs).



But still it didn't seem enough,
And so . . .



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