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*It has been raining on
Earth for four billion years.
The water flowing in your river
today is the same that fell then.*

*Embark on a never-ending voyage to explore some
very old questions – questions so old that they have
stories for answers. From mountain springs and vast
oceans to rivers in the sky and streams within our
own bodies, this enchanting book spirals through
time and space and reminds us that water is more
than just a resource. It is part of who we are.*

*Written by award-winning author Amy-Jane Beer,
this sparkling text is a perfect introduction
to rivers, nature and our place within it.*

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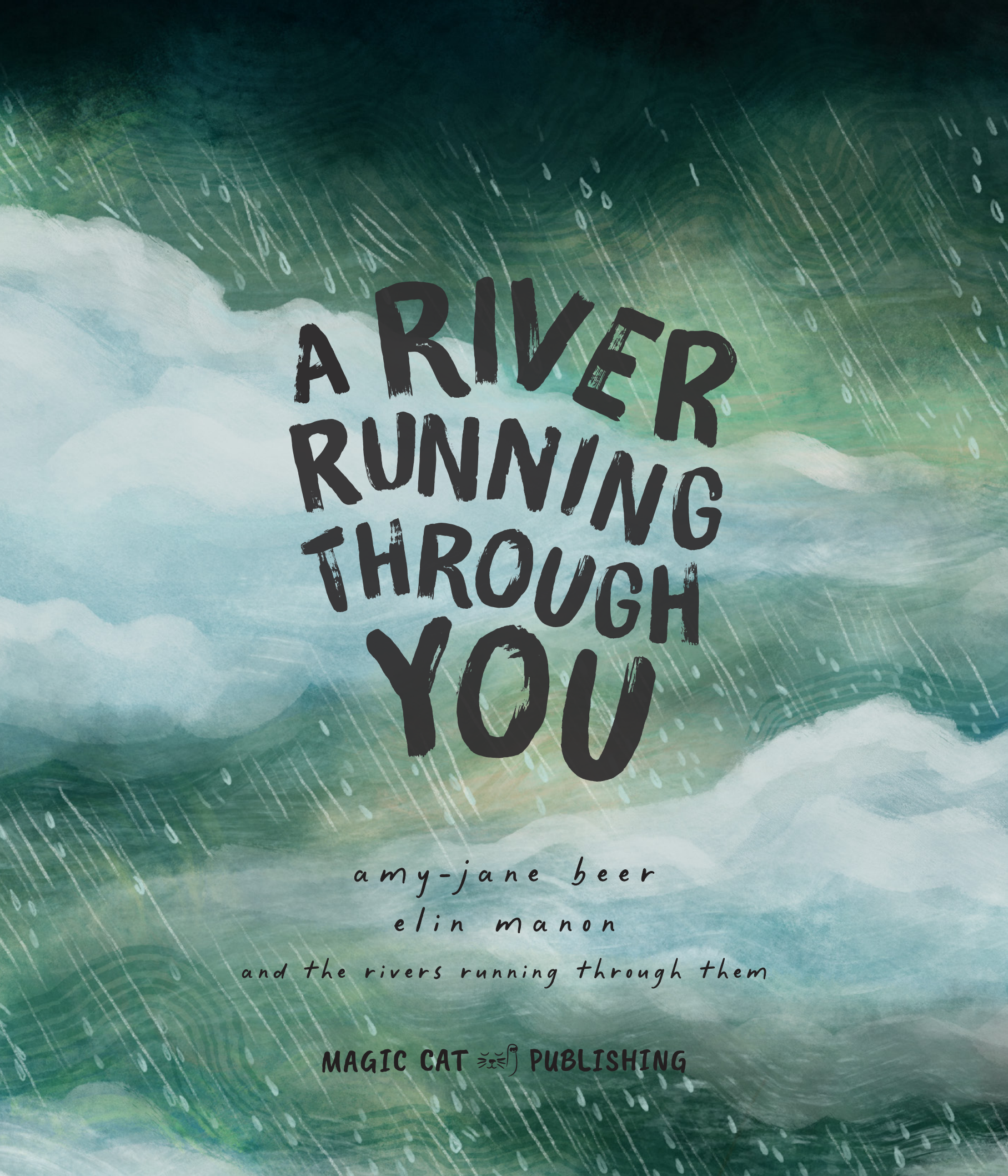
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Have you ever lingered on a riverbank
watching the water flow, and wondered where
it comes from, or where it might be going?

These are *very* old questions.

And old questions often
have stories for answers.

*If you could follow the water everywhere it goes, you would find
yourself on a never-ending journey through time and space.*

A river is water's chance to dance under the Sun,
and to speak its stories.

What might it tell you about the places it has been?





The water in your river has crossed
many oceans.

*Rivers in the ocean are called currents and gyres.
They are highways for creatures making epic journeys of their own.*

*Seawater is salty because it has spent billions of years collecting
minerals washed from the land by all the rivers of the world.*

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*'For Lochy, who is part
otter, and our river, the
Yorkshire Derwent.'*

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*'To all our storytellers
and campaigners, for
your tireless work in the
celebration, protection
and restoration of our
precious rivers – thank you.'*

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