When Woman Became The Sea: A Costa Rican Creation Myth
**Synopsis**

Oh, how the world is changed when a woman begins to wonder! When Woman Became the Sea is Costa Rica’s beautiful story of how the world began. Sibu creates the world but cannot decide what is missing. To get help from Thunder, Sibu creates something intriguing and magical for his friend: a woman named Sea. Sea soon becomes frustrated obeying the ridiculous commands of Sibu and Thunder and thinks to herself, "I wonder why I should listen to this man telling me one thing, and this man telling me something else, and I think I just won't listen to them any more." Enchanted by her new freedom, she lets down her guard and is bitten by a magical snake. Sea appears to die, but a tree grows out of her burial bundle. Like a butterfly from a cocoon, the waters of the world and the creatures of the sea burst forth from this great tree. Sibu realizes that the Sea is the missing piece, and he is thankful for her crowning creation.

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**Customer Reviews**

I am a mother of two small children (2 & 3) and they really enjoyed listening to this story being told aloud at a recent book signing. The colorful art on every page keeps my children very interested in this wonderful book.

I have a five year old, Diego, that absolutely loves this book. I am originally from Costa Rica and
was looking for books that would interest him while teaching him something as well. This book reminds us that there are many wonderful ideas and theories that explain the beginnings of the Earth and that it is wonderful to share in others' thoughts (on this and other subjects). The illustrations are amazing. The colors are vibrant and the characters are each beautiful in their own way. I now have a 7 month old daughter, Sofia, and I can't wait to share it with her.

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