

## **CHOICE 4**

### **Local Voices: Diary of a Young Naturalist, by Dara McAnulty**

#### **About The Book**

“This startling debut explores the natural world through the eyes of Dara McAnulty, an autistic teenager coping with the uprooting of home, school, and his mental health, while pursuing his life as a conservationist and environmental activist. Shifting from intense darkness to light, recalling his sensory encounters in the wild - with blackbirds, whooper swans, red kites, hen harriers, frogs, dandelions, Irish hares and more - McAnulty reveals worlds we have neglected to see, in a stunning world of nature writing that is a future classic.”

Largely set in County Down, this award-winning memoir is a beautifully lyrical and vivid accounting of the natural world through the changing seasons. Set over the course of a full year, Dara’s extraordinary and captivating voice will inspire and enrich your own experience of the world outside your door.

#### **What else is in the box...**

- Belfast Brew from renowned local tea-makers, Suki Tea.
- Stone-ground artisan chocolate from Mournes-based chocolatiers, NearyNógs
- A hand-made bookmark from Portaferry-based Have A Day Designs.

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