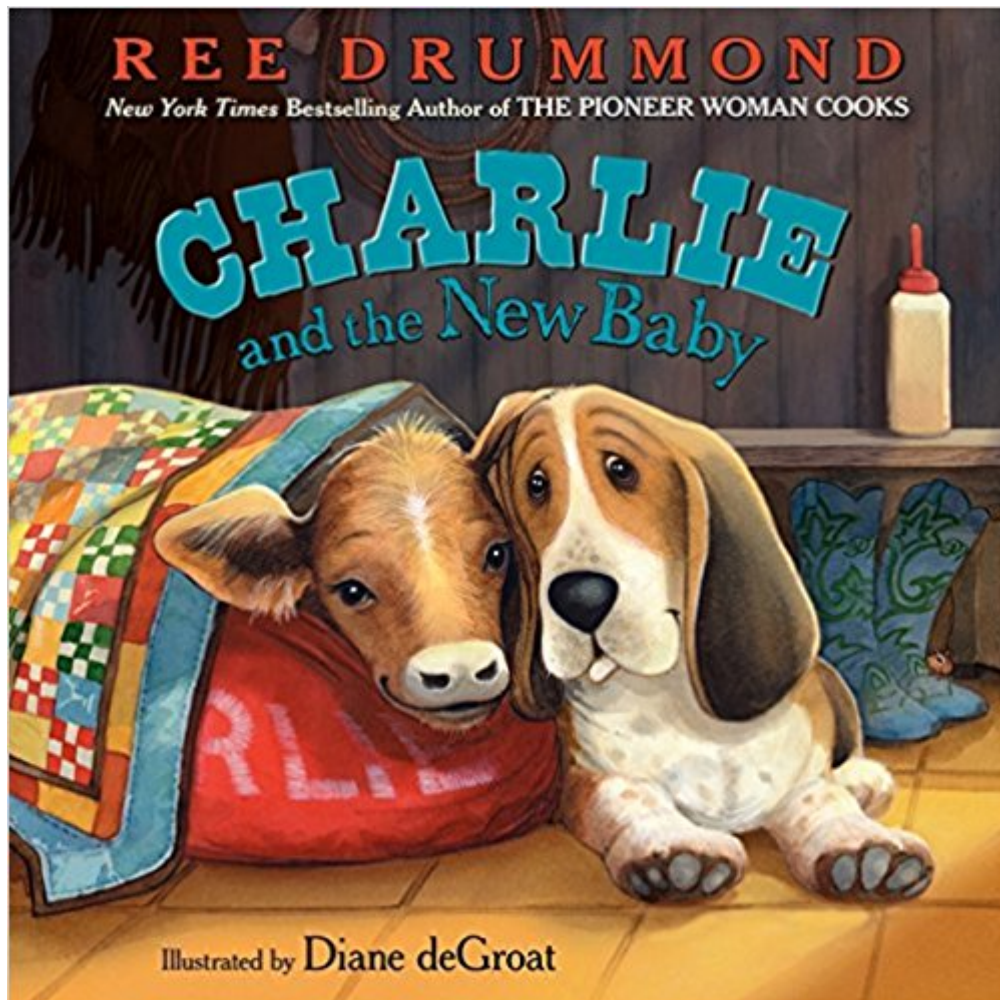




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# Charlie And The New Baby (Charlie The Ranch Dog)



## Synopsis

Ree Drummond, The Pioneer Woman and #1 New York Times bestselling author of Charlie the Ranch Dog, and her lovable hound are back in Charlie and the New Baby. With expressive illustrations by Diane deGroat, a new delicious recipe from Ree Drummond, and the hilarious antics of Charlie, this picture book is a surefire hit! There's nothing that makes Charlie's soul rejoice more than naps and bacon. But when his daily routine of eating and sleeping is interrupted by a new baby calf, Abigail, Charlie is not happy! Things go from bad to worse when Charlie sees everyone rubbing Abigail's belly instead of his; feeding her instead of him; and tucking Abigail in at the end of the day in Charlie's bed. Will Charlie be able to adjust to the new addition?

## Book Information

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Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

K-Gr 2 "Charlie the Ranch Dog is concerned. His family has brought a calf inside the house. He knows that "Mama and the kids" will give the calf lots of tender loving care, but when he feels they have forgotten to attend to his needs, he ends his day dreaming about "a time when a dog could lie on his own bed. A time when a dog could get a bath and a belly rub from time to time. A time before this silly ol' calf ever showed up." Charlie's quiet tolerance is rewarded by morning, though. He receives a thank-you lick on the head from the reinvigorated calf. Charlie's enviousness is easy to

understand when looking at deGroat's realistic illustrations. His longing for attention is reflected in his facial features and body language. The watercolor-over-digital-art paintings make readers feel at home. Drummond includes a child-friendly recipe for Egg-in-a-Hole at the back of the book.â Tanya Boudreau, Cold Lake Public Library, AB, Canada

It sure is nice to be King of the Ranch. Just ask Charlie! His days are filled with belly rubs, bacon, and Mama's special tender loving care. But then his daily routine is interrupted when a new baby shows up! All of a sudden, everyone's attention is on her, and not on Charlie. They tuck her in, feed her dinner, and give her their tender loving care. What is a ranch dog to do? In this heartwarming tale by Ree Drummondâ "The Pioneer Woman herselfâ "Charlie discovers that even with a new baby at home, there's enough love to go around and that being a big brother is an even bigger job than being King of the Ranch. (Well . . . almost as big!)

My son is 3.5 and this is the first Charlie the Ranch Dog book I've bought. I picked this one because I am expecting and have picked a few books on babies in general so he understands more about how babies need special care. This has nothing to do with having baby siblings, of course, but my son loves it. He was especially captivated by the illustrations. Another reviewer mentioned there were pages without words and I think this was done for artistic license. I didn't find it disruptive. I point to each of the scenes on those pages and we talk about what is happening in those scenes. I will definitely check out more Charlie the Ranch Dog books in the future.

My grandkids (and I) love the Charlie books. This book was a disappointment. When I received it and read it I thought it was missing pages. The story didn't make much sense on the last couple of pages. I went to the bookstore to check and, yep, they're book was the same. I gave it to my granddaughter and when her dad read it the first time, he was also confused and went back through the book, certain there were pages missing.

Very disappointed in this book. The story line doesn't coincide with the cover showing Charlie and the calf looking like buddies or like possibly Charlie was providing some warmth and comfort to the little calf. I suppose the events in the book more accurately show how a dog's needs might be secondary to taking care of a newborn that needed some extra care, but not a particularly compelling story for a child (or an adult). Quite boring, actually.. Neither my child nor I found the story very engaging----Charlie gets ignored for a day and then things are back to normal for him just

didn't resonate.

The pre-schoolers that I shared this book with loved the story and being able to what happened on the pages without words themselves. They also loved finding the little chipmunk on each page. Then seeing the real Charlie, WOW! This was my first Charlie book and I'll be adding more to my book bag.

"Charlie and the New Baby" is just as remarkable as all the "Charlie" books before it. His antics and remarks keep the child's attention along with the fantastic illustrations! It's a book your child will ask to be read to them over and over. Along with that, there is a great recipe that is presented at the end of the book, which will let your child experience even more "Charlie" time! I just love this book and your child will too!

What a fun story and sweet book! Actually, my son suggested we buy it for our 2-year-old grandson. When I asked, "are you trying to tell us something," he responded, "No, he just likes Charlie and farm animals." So, when we were able to visit and give it to our grandson for his birthday, we were also surprised with the news of another grandbaby to arrive, which would be about ten months after we bought the book. So listen up, grandparent wannabe's: this book may be your answer. Ha, that's a joke, but we sure enjoyed the laughter it's brought. Oh, and thank-you, Ree Drummond, for another wonderful Charlie story!

Adorable book and the illustrations are Amazing!

Great story and good author!

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