

The Long Way to a Small, Angry Planet

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Synopsis

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Winner of the Hugo Award for Best Series!

The acclaimed modern science fiction masterpiece, included on *Library Journal*'s Best SFF of 2016, the Barnes & Nobles Sci-Fi Fantasy Blog Best Books of 2015, the Tor.com Best Books of 2015, Readerâ€™s Choice, as well as nominated for the Arthur C. Clarke Award, the Kitschie, and the Bailey's Women's Prize.

Follow a motley crew on an exciting journey through space—and one adventurous young explorer who discovers the meaning of family in the far reaches of the universe—in this light-hearted debut space opera from a rising sci-fi star.

Rosemary Harper doesnâ€™t expect much when she joins the crew of the aging *Wayfarer*. While the patched-up ship has seen better days, it offers her a bed, a chance to explore the far-off corners of the galaxy, and most importantly, some distance from her past. An introspective young woman who learned early to keep to herself, sheâ€™s never met anyone remotely like the shipâ€™s diverse crew, including Sissix, the exotic reptilian pilot, chatty engineers Kizzy and Jenks who keep the ship running, and Ashby, their noble captain.

Life aboard the *Wayfarer* is chaotic and crazy—exactly what Rosemary wants. Itâ€™s also about to get extremely dangerous when the crew is offered the job of a lifetime. Tunneling wormholes through space to a distant planet is definitely lucrative and will keep them comfortable for years. But risking her life wasnâ€™t part of the plan. In the far reaches of deep space, the tiny *Wayfarer* crew will confront a host of unexpected mishaps and thrilling adventures that force them to depend on each other. To survive, Rosemaryâ€™s got to learn how to rely on this assortment of oddballs—an experience that teaches her about love and trust, and that having a family isnâ€™t necessarily the worst thing in the universe.

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