

Bigfoot vs. Aliens: Hazyscapes #1

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Two beings forge an unusual friendship to save Earth from a dangerous enemy in Kyle Sullivan's fantasy novel *Bigfoot vs. Aliens*.

An unnamed bipedal creature of advanced intelligence enjoys a life of solitude in the forest that he shares in harmony with the animals. He uses his smarts, including the ability to project his thoughts and feelings into the minds of other creatures, to maintain a peaceful environment and protect the other inhabitants of his home.

When strange beings arrive from the sky and humans seek shelter in the creature's once isolated habitat, he is forced to reckon with his disgust over human behavior and his desire to save his forest and Earth at large. To do so, he will have to do what his kind has never done: seek out contact with a human child, Louis, and work with him to save the world.

The creature, who's identified as a bigfoot by Louis and dubbed Tahoma, forges a bond with Louis over their shared telepathic powers. Tahoma shows Louis how to hone his abilities and connect with the energy of the world around him. Through Louis, Tahoma learns that humans are more than the nuisance he once believed. Together, they embark on a perilous mission to save Louis's mother, leading them to face the terrible truth about the sky predators' intentions.

Tahoma's relationship with Louis evolves from one of compelled responsibility into genuine love. He comes to view the boy as what humans can be at their best: empathetic, kind, and compassionate. Tahoma discovers that, like the nature around him, these qualities are precious resources that must be protected at all costs.

Bigfoot vs. Aliens is a riveting fantasy novel in which love and empathy overcome differences to give Earth's inhabitants the strength to face major obstacles.

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