



3 LITTLE CULOTTES

**Sylvia Chausse, illus Anne Letuffe
Berbay, \$29.95**

Already a favourite in France, this English edition about three pigs — Lucette, Paulette and Marie-Antoinette — who lose their bloomers is tres adorable. Forget the standard *Three Little Pigs* version, this is much more entertaining as each tiny porker goes wee wee wee all over the French countryside in search of their not-so-small smalls. Told in rhyming verse (“Early next morning — and this is quite weird, their precious culottes have all disappeared!”), the language is playful and inventive while Anne Letuffe’s collage, paint and fabric illustrations add a rich second layer to the story. A delightful read for twos and up.