

An Amazon Tale by Fernando Viso

She was raised to be a princess, but born to be a queen

Life in the Amazon rainforest is as sweet as it can get for Princess MIA (**Black Jaguar**). Her life is filled with all the perks of royalty and none of the responsibility. The majority of her life has been spent frolicking with her extremely goofy and best friend, CHIPPER (**Macaw**). Though deep down she yearns for the same love and respect her father bestows upon her brother and future king, BEAU.

With her father, DASH, ready to step down and pass the torch to his son Beau, the Rainforest looks poised to prosper on the new horizon. The change is coming, but it's nothing any of them could expect. While out hunting with his best friend COSMO (**Spotted Leopard**), Beau is shot by poachers protecting the Corporation, burning and polluting the rainforest for profit. With the Amazon reeling in turmoil, The ORACLE of **Sloths (3)** foretell of Mia leading the animals against the destructive Corp.

With no belief from her father, MIA teams with Cosmo and sets out to fulfill the Oracle's prophecy. The Corporations' forces are large, so Mia does the unthinkable. She seeks to gain the alliance of a historical foe and fellow apex predator a **Black Caiman Alligator**, ASH. The Land Animals and Water Animals have been at odds from the beginning of time. So, this causes division among the land animals when Mia makes the very unpopular decision to relinquish part of her family's kingdom along the water to Ash, in exchange for his loyalty in the fight. Initially opposed to siding with the Jaguars, it isn't until Ash sees the pollution killing off the fish in the river that he joins forces with Mia and her army.

With reconnaissance under way, the Land and Water animals plan their attack on the home encampment of the Evil Corp. The animals have to plan their attack and work together to execute their plan perfectly. This undoubtedly causes problems, as the two longtime enemies are now constantly in close quarters. Training, eating, and working together takes its toll on the animals. Mia and Ash are forced to stand hand and hand to rally their followers to come together. Their fight is no longer with each other, and if they don't come together there will be no more land to fight over.

Mia and Ash lead the land and water animals in an early morning attack. They strike early in the morning, and the plan hits off flawlessly. They have them on the ropes and are close to pushing the Corp. out of the Amazon. Yet, the guards regroup under the Leader of the Corp and the guard dogs and fight back. Reinforcements come from down the trail and the plan ends in a massive failure. Ash, Cosmo, and other animals are captured by the Corp. and caged to be sold.

All seems lost until Mia is summoned by the Oracle. She has failed her family and her kingdom, and it is only a matter of time before the Corp. has completely encroached on their home. A vision from her brother hints at the advantage the animals have over the humans.

She rallies what is left of the animals, and they creep into the Corp.'s encampment. The Monkeys sneak in and ready the bulldozers to use against the encampment. The water animals start destroying the boats. The camp is in a frenzy and Chipper and the other animals rush to get Cosmo and the others out of their cages. Just in the nick of time Cosmo and the others are

freed and help to join the fight alongside their friends. The ultimate fight comes along a waterfall where Mia is battling the guard dogs and the head of the Corp. Outnumbered she is being beaten badly by the dogs and the leader. Suddenly, Ash comes to her aid. The dogs are defeated and Ash knocks the leader into the water, sending him over the waterfall. Mia risks her life to save Ash and is barely able to pull him from over the edge of the waterfall.

Mia is crowned the Queen of the Amazon by her proud father, and a new alliance has been formed between the land and water animals. Prosperity is once again upon the magnificent Rainforest.