



**Dominique et compagnie novels**  
**Lime Green Novel Series**

**Title:** *Monsieur Soleil*  
(Mister Sunshine)

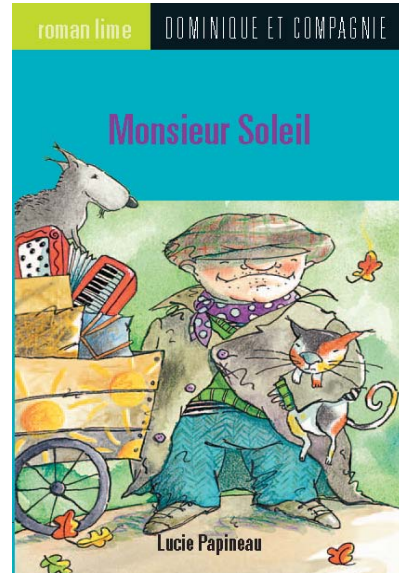
**Format:** 11 cm x 17,5 cm  
**Number of pages :** 64  
**Cover:** softcover  
**Target Group :** 7 years and up  
**Publication:** February 2006  
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**Description:**

One day Antoine's older brother tells him to hurry, hurry, hurry. Earlier than usual they're on the school bus but get off at a different stop than their usual one. While waiting for his brother outside a pastry shop with croissant shutters, gingerbread awning, a cherry chimney and windows full of sweets Antoine notices a strange fellow uttering « Biscotti...molto...cioccolata! »..lots of i's and o's and a's. The little man is on a bicycle pulling a wooden cart with a dog, a cat, pans, a false-fur rug and even an accordeon, talking to himself just like Antoine does. Antoine is intrigued. He talks to him but the little man doesn't answer. The older brother comes out and reprimands Antoine and tells him not to talk to strangers, especially strange-looking strangers. The brothers return to the pastry shop everyday and Antoine wonders about the strange little man: Where does he go when it's cold outside? Where does he eat? What does he eat? He finally asks old Mrs. Heyster if she knows him. She does, he speaks with o's and a's and i's because he speaks Italian, she tells him. Antoine learns to say « Buongiorno, sir » so he can talk to the little man the next time he sees him.

**Information:**

- The Lime Green Novel Series, introduced after the Red Novel Series, is designed for children 7 years and up. These 64-page books still offer many pictures (every other double page contains colour illustrations) and the text is more concise to ensure a transition between the first and second cycles of elementary school.
- Themes : differences and prejudices, imaginary friendships.
- A sweet story filled with tenderness and little rays of happiness.



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**Lucie Papineau, author**

Witty and full of life, Lucie Papineau is a favourite with all generations for her style and the subjects she addresses in her books. Nothing is too nice nor too fine-tuned for the children. Her books are funny, touching, poetic and written with accuracy so the reader does not get lost in the story.

Lucie Papineau has written over thirty books published by Dominique et compagnie (books for babies, picture books, *À pas de loup*) and the famous collection *Les amis de Gilda la girafe* (over 100 000 copies sold).