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"[A] captivating illustrated collection." - Smithsonian Magazine

- "...a delightful mini-coffee table book about all the awkward and beautiful moments you can have in space, based on dozens of interviews with people who have actually been there. If you're looking for a fun read about life outside the gravity well, check out *What's It Like In Space?*"
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