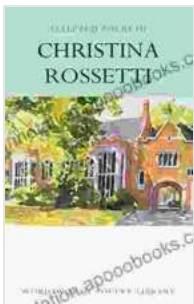


Unveiling the Enchanting World of Christina Rossetti: A Poetic Journey through Love, Loss, and the Divine

Prepare to be captivated by the exquisite artistry of Christina Rossetti, one of the most beloved and enigmatic figures in Victorian literature. 'Selected Poems of Christina Rossetti', a jewel from the renowned Wordsworth Poetry Library, invites you on an unforgettable journey through her poetic realm.

A Timeless Voice Explored

Christina Rossetti (1830-1894) emerged as a prominent literary force during the Victorian era. Her poetry, characterized by its haunting beauty, emotional depth, and profound insights into the human condition, has resonated with readers for generations.



Selected Poems of Christina Rossetti (Wordsworth Poetry Library) by Christina Rossetti

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Rossetti's verses traverse a wide range of themes, from the tender joys and heartaches of love to the complexities of faith and the inevitability of loss. Her ability to capture the nuances of human experience with such poignancy and eloquence has ensured her place as one of the most cherished poets of all time.

Love's Sweet Sorrows and Enduring Delights

Love occupies a central place in Rossetti's poetic landscape. Her love poems explore the myriad facets of this universal emotion, from the heady joys of new love to the bittersweet pangs of heartbreak.



A Birthday

My heart is like a singing bird Whose nest is in a water'd shoot; My heart is like an apple-tree Whose boughs are bent with thickset fruit;

My heart is like a rainbow shell That paddles in a halcyon sea; My heart is gladder than all these Because my love is come to me.

In her love poems, Rossetti deftly navigates the complexities of desire, passion, and loss. Whether she celebrates the ecstatic heights of love or laments its disappointments, her words resonate with an authenticity that transcends time.

The Divine's Embrace and the Enigma of Faith

Rossetti's faith was an integral part of her life and work. Her poems often explore the relationship between the human soul and the divine, grappling with questions of belief, doubt, and the search for meaning.



Navigating the enigmatic realm of faith in Rossetti's poetry

In the Desert

I have no wit, no words, no tears; My heart within me like a stone Is numb'd too much for hopes or fears; Look right, look left, I dwell alone;

I lift mine eyes, but dimmed with grief
No everlasting hills I see; My life is in
the falling leaf: O Jesus, quicken me.

Rossetti's religious poetry is characterized by its honesty and introspection. She confronts the challenges of faith, the longing for connection with the divine, and the ultimate mystery of existence.

Nature's Tranquil Embrace and the Cycle of Life

Rossetti's deep love of nature is evident throughout her poetry. She finds solace and inspiration in the natural world, drawing parallels between its cycles and the human condition.



A Dead Rose

O Rose, who dares to name thee? No longer roseate now, Nor queen of all the roses; Thy petals droop and fail, Thy fair young head droops low.

O Rose, who dares to name thee? No longer roseate now; Yet queen of all the roses, Thou art not conquered wholly, Thy fragrant soul lives yet,

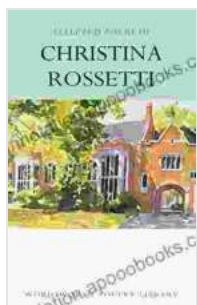
In her nature poems, Rossetti celebrates the beauty and fragility of life, acknowledging the cyclical nature of existence and the inevitability of decay.

A Masterpiece to Treasure, A Legacy to Cherish

'Selected Poems of Christina Rossetti' is a captivating collection that showcases the full range of Rossetti's poetic genius. Through her evocative language, profound insights, and timeless themes, Rossetti invites us to explore the depths of our own humanity.

This Wordsworth Poetry Library edition provides a comprehensive overview of Rossetti's work, featuring some of her most celebrated poems alongside lesser-known gems.

Whether you are a seasoned Rossetti enthusiast or a newcomer to her enchanting world, 'Selected Poems of Christina Rossetti' is a treasure that will captivate your heart and linger in your mind.



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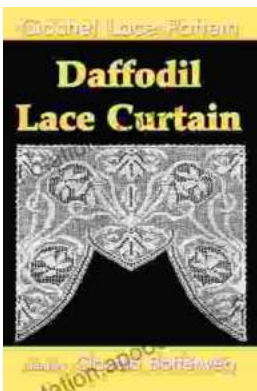
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