Collected Poems of William Wordsworth: Annotated, The Reader Library 14 - A Journey into the Heart and Mind of a Romantic Master

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William Wordsworth, one of the most celebrated poets of the Romantic era, left an indelible mark on the literary landscape with his profound and evocative verse. His Collected Poems of William Wordsworth: Annotated, part of The Reader Library 14, is a comprehensive and meticulously curated collection of his poetic masterpieces. This annotated edition, expertly edited by Thomas Hutchinson, offers an unparalleled opportunity to delve into the depths of Wordsworth's poetic genius, exploring the themes, techniques, and enduring legacy of his work.



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A Comprehensive Collection

The Collected Poems of William Wordsworth: Annotated encompasses the full breadth of Wordsworth's poetic output, from his early experiments in the genre to the mature works that solidified his reputation as a master of Romantic poetry. The collection includes:

- Lyrical Ballads (1798), co-authored with Samuel Taylor Coleridge
- "Tintern Abbey" (1798)
- The Prelude (1805)
- Odes (1814)
- Ecclesiastical Sonnets (1822)
- The Excursion (1814)

This comprehensive selection provides a rich tapestry of Wordsworth's poetic endeavors, showcasing the evolution of his themes, style, and philosophical perspectives throughout his career.

Extensive Annotations

The annotations in this edition are a treasure trove of insights into Wordsworth's poetic world. Editor Thomas Hutchinson, a renowned Wordsworth scholar, provides detailed commentary on each poem, illuminating its historical context, literary influences, and the poet's own personal experiences that shaped its creation. The annotations also explore the nuances of Wordsworth's language, imagery, and symbolism, helping readers to fully appreciate the depth and complexity of his verse.

A Voyage into the Romantic Soul

Wordsworth's poetry is renowned for its profound exploration of nature, the human condition, and the relationship between the two. Through his vivid descriptions of the Lake District landscape, his reflections on childhood, and his meditations on mortality, Wordsworth captures the essence of the Romantic spirit. His poems invite readers to embark on a journey of self-discovery, introspection, and a deeper appreciation of the world around them.

Lyrical Ballads and the Romantic Revolution

Lyrical Ballads, co-authored with Samuel Taylor Coleridge, was a groundbreaking work that heralded the arrival of the Romantic movement in English literature. Wordsworth's poems in this collection, such as "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner" and "Ode: Intimations of Immortality," challenged the prevailing literary conventions of the time and celebrated the power of ordinary language and everyday life as subjects of poetic exploration.

The Tranquil Grandeur of Nature

Wordsworth's deep love of nature permeates his poetry, and The Collected Poems of William Wordsworth: Annotated showcases the full extent of his naturalistic sensibilities. His poems capture the beauty and majesty of the natural world, from the towering mountains to the babbling brooks, and explore the profound connection between humanity and the environment.

The Haunting Beauty of the Past

Wordsworth's poetry is also marked by a profound sense of nostalgia and remembrance. In poems such as "Tintern Abbey" and "Ode: Intimations of Immortality," he reflects on the passage of time, the loss of childhood innocence, and the enduring power of memory. His verse captures the bittersweet beauty of human experience, reminding us of both the joys and sorrows that life holds.

A Legacy that Endures

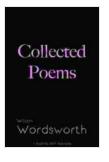
William Wordsworth's Collected Poems of William Wordsworth: Annotated, The Reader Library 14 is an essential volume for anyone interested in English literature, Romantic poetry, or the human condition. Through its comprehensive collection of poems and its insightful annotations, this edition offers a profound journey into the heart and mind of a literary master. Wordsworth's legacy continues to inspire and resonate with readers today, reminding us of the power of poetry to illuminate the human soul and connect us to the world around us.

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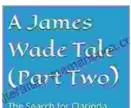
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