



The Rain in Portugal: Poems (Paperback)

By Professor Billy Collins

Random House Trade, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Reprint. Language: English . Brand New Book. NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER - From former U.S. Poet Laureate Billy Collins comes a twelfth collection of poetry offering over fifty new poems that showcase the generosity, wit, and imaginative play that prompted The Wall Street Journal to call him America's favorite poet. The Rain in Portugal--a title that admits he's not much of a rhymist--sheds Collins's ironic light on such subjects as travel and art, cats and dogs, loneliness and love, beauty and death. His tones range from the whimsical-- the dogs of Minneapolis . . . / have no idea they're in Minneapolis --to the elegiac in a reaction to the death of Seamus Heaney. A student of the everyday, Collins here contemplates a weather vane, a still life painting, the calendar, and a child lost at a beach. His imaginative fabrications have Shakespeare flying comfortably in first class and Keith Richards supporting the globe on his head. By turns entertaining, engaging, and enlightening, The Rain in Portugal amounts to another chorus of poems from one of the most respected and familiar voices in the world of American poetry. Praise...



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