



The Trip to Echo Spring: On Writers and Drinking

By Olivia Laing

Picador, 2014. Book Condition: New. Brand New, Unread Copy in Perfect Condition. A+ Customer Service! Summary: "Most beguiling and incisive." The New York Times "[A] charming and gusto-driven look at the alcoholic insanity of six famous writers. There is much to learn from Laing's supple scholarship and much to enjoy, too." Lawrence Osborne, The New York Times Book Review "Exquisite. Laing, wisely, doesn't reach any one-size-fits-all conclusions about the bond between the pen and the bottle. A marvelous writer." Maureen Corrigan, NPR's Fresh Air "Laing dives deep, plummeting into some of her subjects' darkest impulses. The result is a multilayered biography that reads quick as fiction, and is teeming with fantastically melancholy details of the writers we thought we knew." Lauren Viera, Chicago Tribune "[An] eccentric, impassioned, belle-lettristic, graceful and haunted book. [Laing's] story has a rambling, daydream quality." The Wall Street Journal "The Trip to Echo Spring is a rewarding book to wend your way through even if the writers Laing focuses on Cheever, Fitzgerald, Hemingway, Tennessee Williams, Raymond Carver and the American poet John Berryman aren't among your particular favorites. Laing writes a fluid, fertile nonfiction. Although Laing isn't an alcoholic herself, she alludes to several adult relationships blighted by the disease, and her second-hand understanding of...



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