

**Decadent Verse**

An Anthology of Late-Victorian Poetry, 1872–1900

*Edited by Caroline Blyth***Pub Date:** February 2009**Binding:** Hardback**Price:** £100 / \$175**ISBN:** 9781843313021**Extent:** 950 pages**Size:** 229 x 152mm; 9 x 6**Category:** POETRY / Anthologies

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**BISAC code:** POE001000**BIC code:** DCQ**Rights Held:** World**Description****A critical collection of late-Victorian poetry, fully annotated and explored.**

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This collection of poetry brings to life many of the important patterns of development in the verse of the late-Victorian period, and offers a fuller reflection of 'decadence' than those anthologies confined to the 1890s. 'Major' writers such as Tennyson, Browning, Hardy and Hopkins are presented alongside less well-known poets, fifty of whom are female, and other traditional figures such as Stevenson, William Morris and Christina Rossetti are given a fresh look. The book also contains a comparative chronology of prose 1872-1900 and of movements in the visual arts. Accompanied by an acclaimed critical commentary, the volume enables readers to discover poetry in the wider context of the literary, aesthetic and intellectual forces of the late-Victorian world as a whole.

**Readership:** The essential, definitive resource for students of Victorian literature.

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