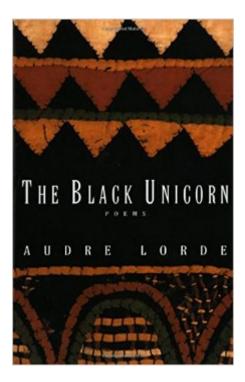
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The Black Unicorn is a collection of poems by a woman who, Adrienne Rich writes, "for the complexity of her vision, for her moral courage and the catalytic passion of her language, has already become, for many, an indispensable poet." Rich continues: "Refusing to be circumscribed by any simple identity, Audre Lorde writes as a Black woman, a mother, a daughter, a Lesbian, a feminist, a visionary; poems of elemental wildness and healing, nightmare and lucidity. Her rhythms and accents have the timelessness of a poetry which extends beyond white Western politics, beyond the anger and wisdom of Black America, beyond the North American earth, to Abomey and the Dahomeyan s. These are poems nourished in an oral tradition, which also blaze and pulse on the page, beneath the reader's eye."

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Customer Reviews

Audre Lorde makes no apologies about herself as a Black woman, a mother, a daughter, a lesbian, a feminist and a visionary. Her poetry can be quite sensual and sexual at times. From the first poem entitled, "The Black Unicorn," and the "Solstice." Lorde is quite a vocal female character regarding her opinions and views. In 1981, her sexual orientation was not in vogue to be talked about. Lorde's open-ness is quite apparent in her poetry but I would have liked to know some background information regarding each poem since I'm not much of a poetry reader or follower of Audre Lorde but I do admire her work. Too bad, she's gone because she would have been quite an influence in

today's society and her voice silenced by her death of cancer robbed the world of her voice.

Amazing

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