



De Profundis and Other Prison Writings (Paperback)

By Oscar Wilde

Penguin Books Ltd, United Kingdom, 2013. Paperback. Condition: New. Reprint. Language: English . Brand New Book. De Profundis and Other Prison Writings is a new selection of Oscar Wilde s prison letters and poetry in Penguin Classics, edited and introduced by Colm Toibin. At the start of 1895, Oscar Wilde was the toast of London, widely feted for his most recent stage success, An Ideal Husband. But by May of the same year, Wilde was in Reading prison sentenced to hard labour. De Profundis is an epistolic account of Oscar Wilde s spiritual journey while in prison, and describes his new, shocking conviction that the supreme vice is shallowness . This edition also includes further letters to his wife, his friends, the Home Secretary, newspaper editors and his lover Lord Alfred Douglas - Bosie - himself, as well as The Ballad of Reading Gaol , the heart-rending poem about a man sentenced to hang for the murder of the woman he loved. This Penguin edition is based on the definitive Complete Letters, edited by Wilde s grandson Merlin Holland. Colm Toibin s introduction explores Wilde s duality in love, politics and literature. This edition also includes notes on the text and...



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