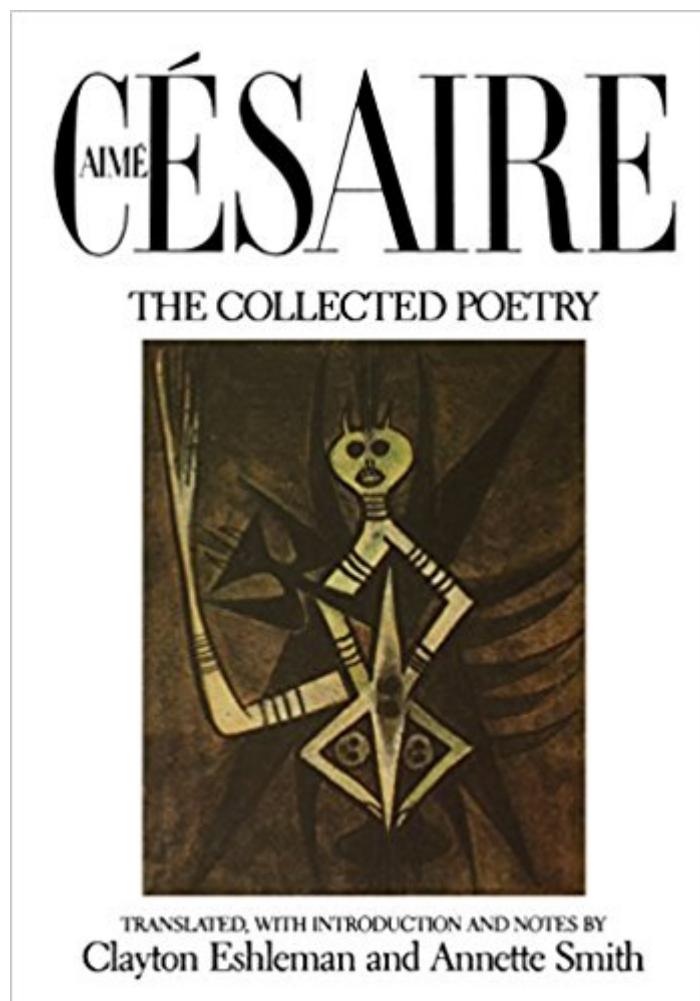


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Synopsis

This edition, containing an extensive introduction, notes, the French original, and a new translation of CÃ©saire's poetry; the complex and challenging later works as well as the famous Notebook; will remain the definitive CÃ©saire in English.

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Customer Reviews

First of all this book itself is beautifully designed and oversized, containing selections from five of CÃ©saire's published books of poetry, separated by prints by Wilfredo Lam. This poetry of CÃ©saire requires an extensive introduction since it is filled with both political and surrealistic elements. The editor provides a 30 page introduction which was very helpful. I found that I needed to read these poems out loud in order to fully understand them. I wish that I could also read the French originals that were provided. Of course every great poet writes many poems that do not quite reach his general level of excellence and CÃ©saire is no exception, but I found many poems to treasure which will remain with me a long while. They make heavy use of Martiniquan flora and fauna, but every poem is about meaningful ways of achieving power for the Black diaspora which was the heart of CÃ©saire's Negritude. These poems belong in the collection of all who care about poetry. I

Through CÃ©saire's poetry I can see where maybe some of the Beats and Jayne Cortez got some of their riffs. This poetry was some of the first with its themes of black empowerment against colonialism and racism but its language is still cutting edge. It's angry and surreal which reminds me

of Rimbaud but it has a whole rhythmic chant-like vibe all its own. Then there's the amazing island and flora and fauna imagery to add to the exoticism and even a hint of voodoo, like the reproductions of Wilfredo Lam's paintings scattered through the book. It's definitely more high energy than most of the Surrealists I've read. If you like the Surrealists, the Beats and Jayne Cortez, you'll love this.

A superb bi-lingual presentation of this 20th-century literary titan, whose writings continue to resonate into the 21st century. Vive la difference!

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