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Review

"Day Lewis could write in any sort of style. . . . The still lively fascination of his verse seems to depend on the variety of tones he could pick up, change, and discard at will. . . . For anyone who likes poetry there is real interest here in the complete record." (*New York Review of Books*)

From the Back Cover

The Complete Poems shows the poets, C. Day Lewis, development from 1925-1972.

About the Author

C. Day Lewis was born in Ireland (and always cherished his Irish background) in 1904, and was educated at Sherborne School and Wadham College, Oxford. On leaving Oxford in 1927 he taught at various schools in England and Scotland until 1935, when he abandoned schoolmastering for good. By then he had published half a dozen volumes of verse, of which *From Feathers to Iron* and *The Magnetic Mountain* formed the basis of his reputation as one of the significant poets of the thirties. In 1946 he was invited to give the Clark Lectures at Trinity College, Cambridge, and from 1951-6 he was Professor of Poetry at Oxford. Two years later he became Vice-President of the Royal Society of Literature. He was Charles Eliot Norton Professor of Poetry at Harvard in 1964-5 and held the Compton Lectureship in Poetry at Hull University. During all this time he continued steadily to write poetry. In 1968 he was appointed Poet Laureate, but tragically died of cancer only four years later.

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