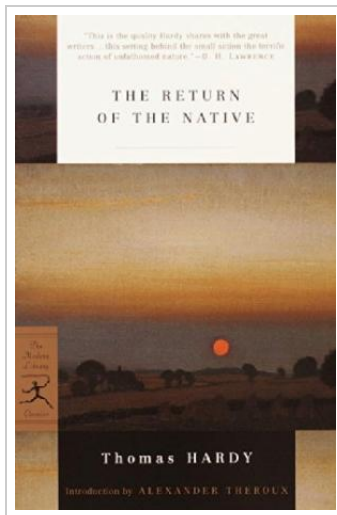




Return of the Native (Paperback)

By Thomas Hardy

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Language: English . Brand New Book. One of Thomas Hardy's most powerful works, *The Return of the Native* centers famously on Egdon Heath, the wild, haunted Wessex moor that D. H. Lawrence called the real stuff of tragedy. The heath's changing face mirrors the fortunes of the farmers, inn-keepers, sons, mothers, and lovers who populate the novel. The native is Clym Yeobright, who comes home from a cosmopolitan life in Paris. He; his cousin Thomasin; her fiancé, Damon Wildeve; and the willful Eustacia Vye are the protagonists in a tale of doomed love, passion, alienation, and melancholy as Hardy brilliantly explores that theme so familiar throughout his fiction: the diabolical role of chance in determining the course of a life. As Alexander Theroux asserts in his Introduction, Hardy was committed to the deep expression of [nature's] ironic chaos and strange apathy, even hostility, toward man.



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