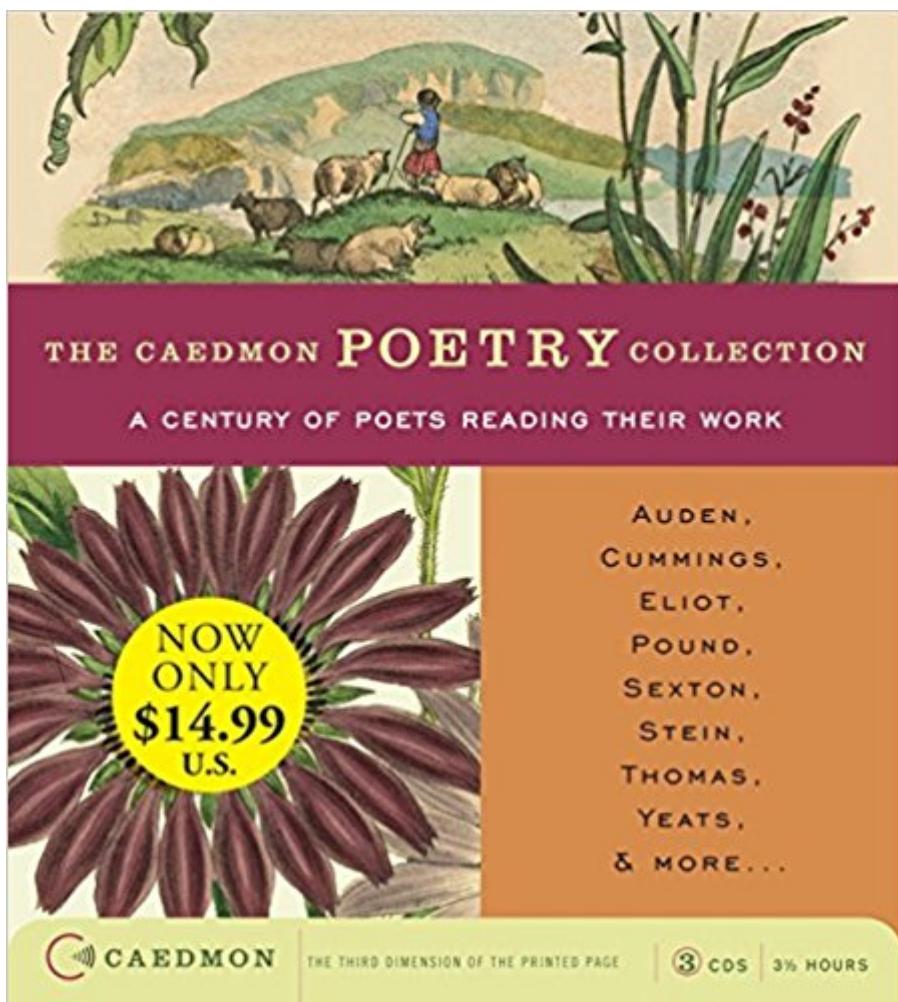


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Nice to hear these famous poets read their own poetry, especially to hear their intonations! I only wish they had better quality recording machines! I still give it 5 stars

Most of the recordings are very interesting and of major poems by major poets. However, a few were, of course, so old, before modern recording technology was improved, that their voices were difficult to understand and thus the poems challenging to follow without the printed text before one.

A fine collection of the original poets reading from their work.

Excellent

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