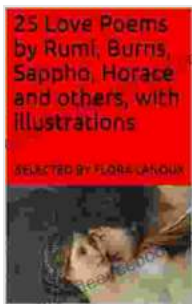


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Alif Lam Mim

By Rumi

Listen to the reed and the tale it tells,
How it sings of separation,
Of being parted from the One Beloved.



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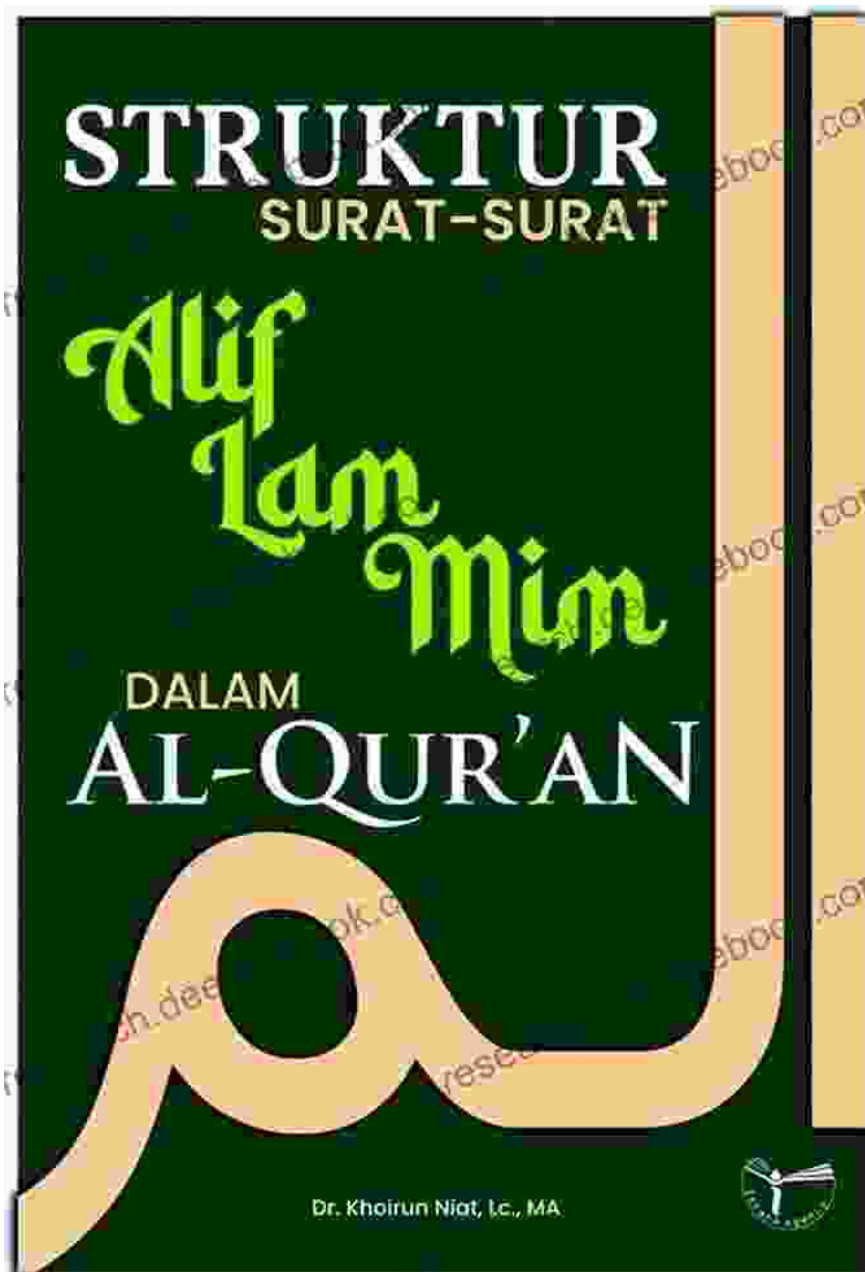


From the moment it was cut from its bed,
It has lamented its separation.
Its cry is a fire,
For those who have been burned by love.

It tells of the pain of separation,
And the longing for reunion.

This longing is the fire of love,
Which burns away all impurities.

So listen to the reed,
And let its cry remind you
Of your own longing for the One Beloved.



A Red, Red Rose

By Robert Burns

O my Luve's like a red, red rose,
That's newly sprung in June;
O my Luve's like the melodie,
That's sweetly play'd in tune.

As fair art thou, my bonnie lass,
So deep in luve am I;
And I will luve thee still, my dear,
Till a' the seas gang dry.

Till a' the seas gang dry, my dear,
And the rocks melt wi' the sun;
I will luve thee still, my dear,
While the sands o' life shall run.

And fare thee weel, my only Luve,
And fare thee weel a while;
And I will come again, my Luve,
Tho' it were ten thousand mile.



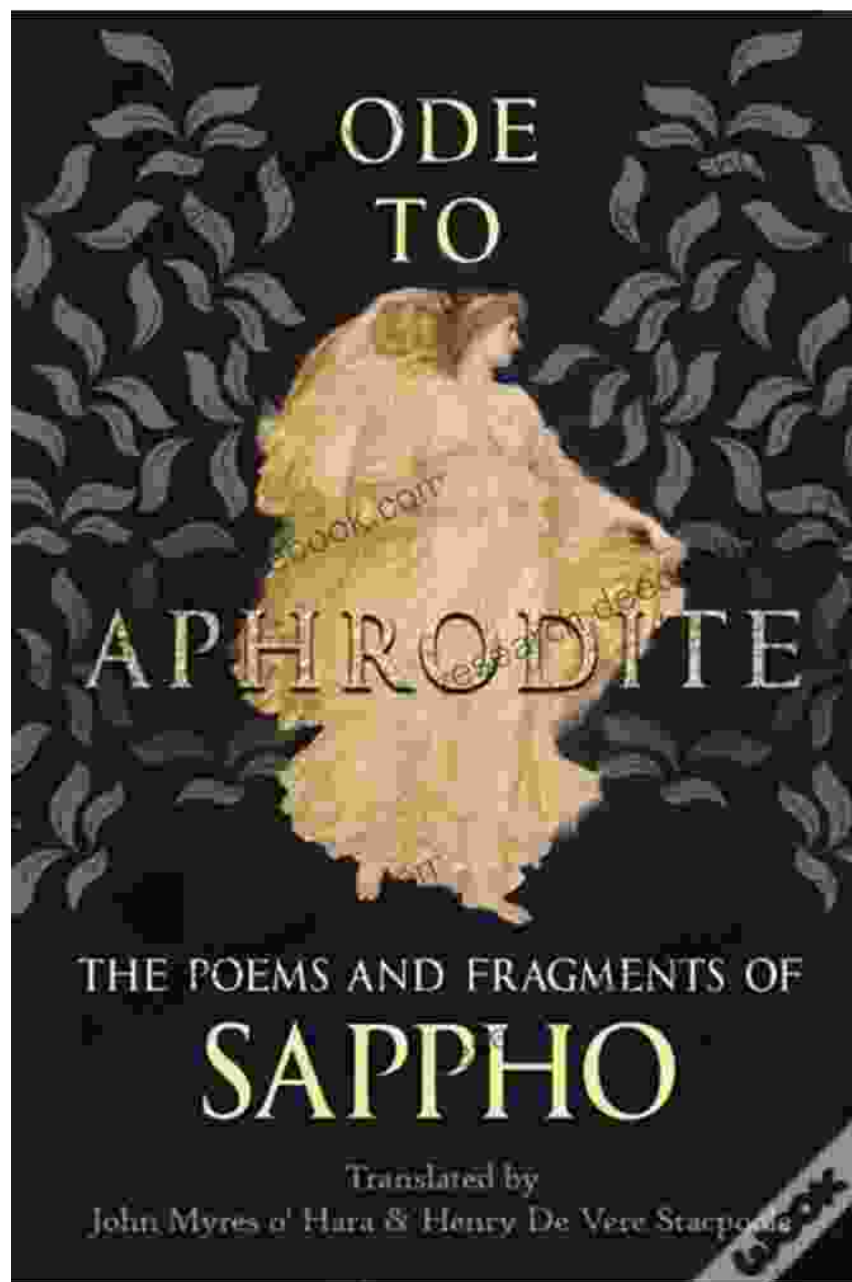
Ode to Aphrodite

By Sappho

O Aphrodite, goddess of beauty and love,
I call upon you with a heart full of desire.
Come to me, O goddess, and grant me your favor.

Make me beautiful, O Aphrodite,
So that I may win the love of the one I desire.
Give me the power to charm and seduce,
So that I may conquer the heart of my beloved.

I offer you my prayers, O Aphrodite,
And I beg you to hear my plea.
Come to me, O goddess, and grant me your love.



To Leuconoe

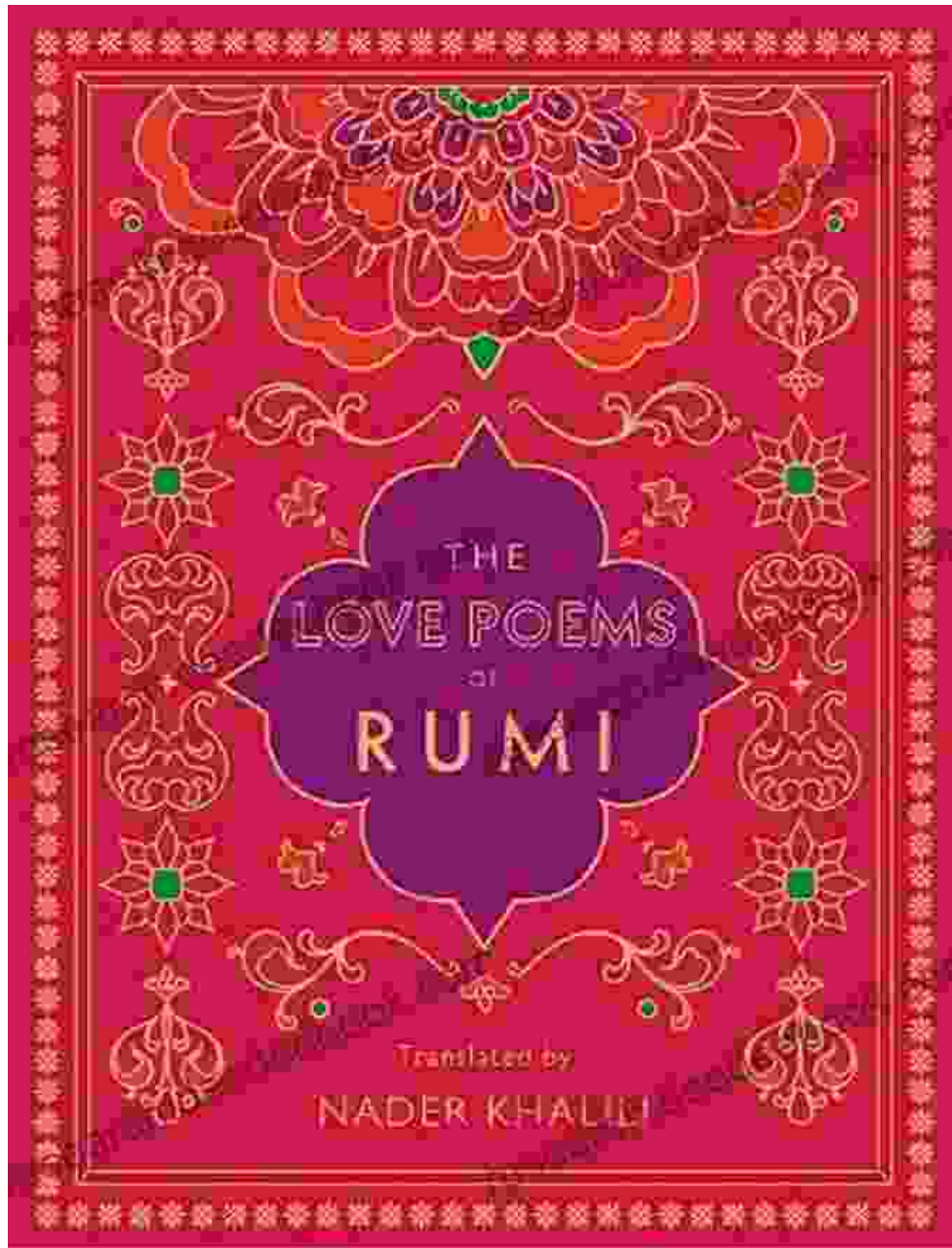
By Horace

Do not inquire, Leuconoe, what the gods
may have in store for you or me.

Do not attempt
to read the Babylonian horoscopes.

How much better to accept what may come calmly,
whether Jupiter allots us
many winters or only a few,
so pour a brimming cup.

Be wise and strain out hope, since time escapes us,
seizing the day as it comes
Lest it slip away.
While we speak, envious time flies.
Seize today, trust tomorrow even less.



Sonnet 18

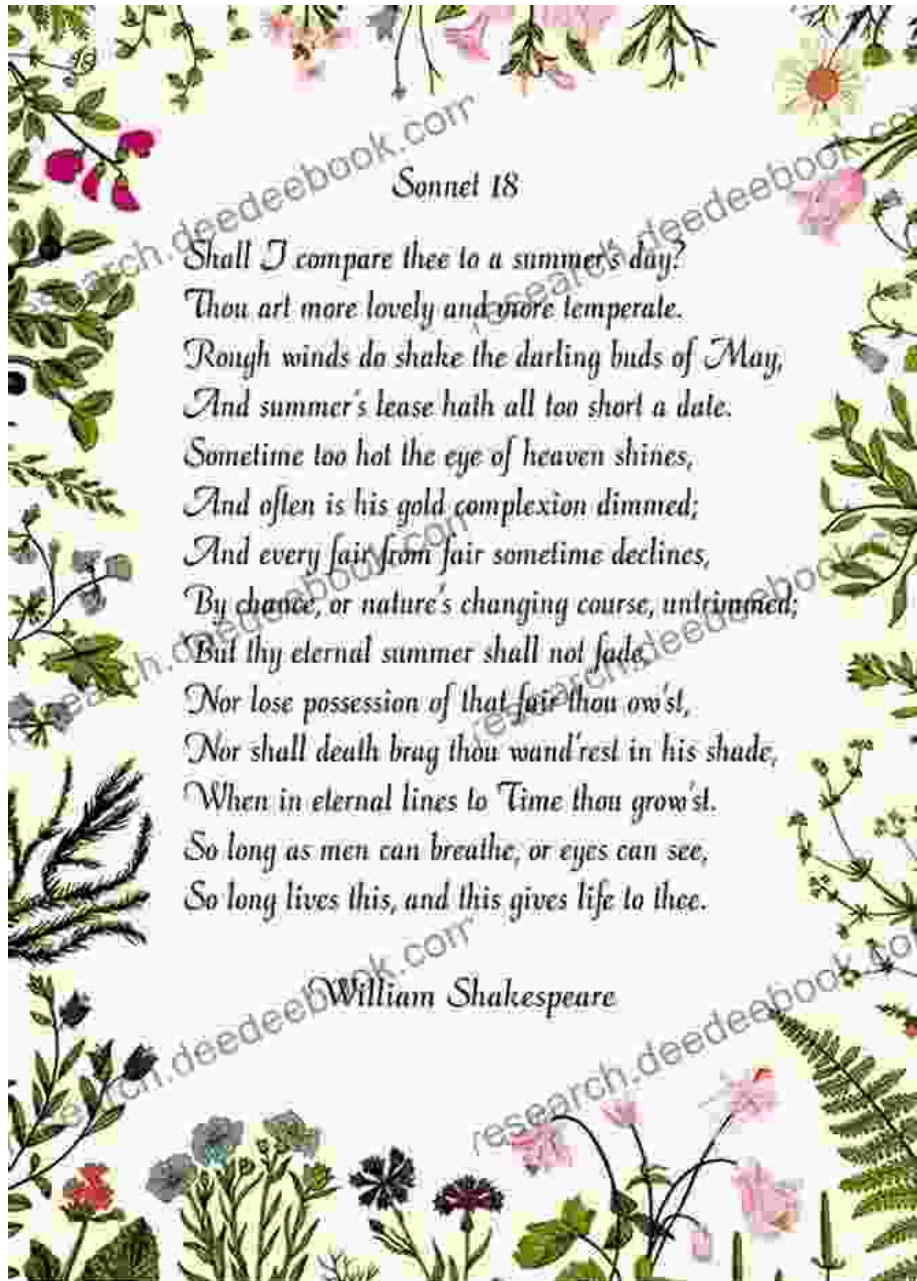
By William Shakespeare

Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?
Thou art more lovely and more temperate:
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
And summer's lease hath all too short a date:

Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines,
And often is his gold complexion dimm'd;
And every fair from fair sometime declines,
By chance or nature's changing course untrimm'd;

But thy eternal summer shall not fade,
Nor lose possession of that fair thou owest;
Nor shall Death brag thou wander'st in his shade,
When in eternal lines to time thou growest:

So long as men can breathe or eyes can see,
So long lives this and this gives life to thee.



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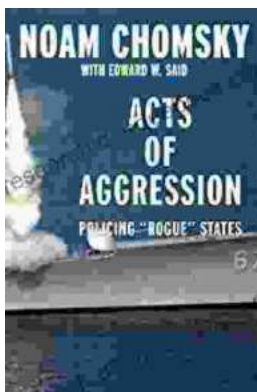
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