



Midnight in the Guest Room (Paperback)

By Jan Bailey

Leapfrog Press, 2004. Paperback. Condition: New. New.. Language: English . Brand New Book. In *Midnight in the Guest Room* Jan Bailey locates the bliss of the routine experiences in women's lives—childhood, love, marriage, sexuality, birth, child rearing, aging—and transforms them into moments of transcendent power and beauty. With uncommon wit and sensitivity she offers us poems about the pleasures of a woman's soft and unstylish belly; the fierceness of mother love; the desolation of a miscarriage; the hilarious illusion of sexual healing; the unexpected eroticism of breast feeding: from *Mornings in the Blue House*: She draped her newborn like a sheaf of peonies across her lap, peeled back the blanket from the puffball face, then parted her robe, pinched her nipple and settled in her daughter there and something sweetly sexual rose between them—the pressure, the release—and she fell fully into love, holding nothing back as with a man, whose wounding begins as soon as he cries Baby and rolls over. Rooted in the landscape of the South, celebrating the private treasures to be found in the everyday world, her poems speak to us all of the joys and the losses of the seasons of our lives. Jan...



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