

Vladimir Nabokov: A Descriptive Bibliography, Revised

Poems

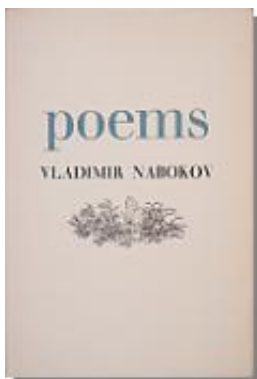
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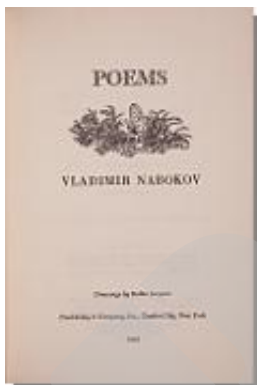
¶ First printing, variant a, 20-Aug-1959

POINTS

Variant a has "A25" in the lower-right corner of p. 44, the final text page; variant b has "A26".



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Collation: (20.8 X 13.8 cm), 1¹² [2]¹², 24 leaves, pp. [1–6] 7–8 [9–10] 11–13 [14] 15–17 [18] 19–39 [40] 41–43 [44–48]

Title page: POEMS | drawing of lepidopteron amid flora | VLADIMIR NABOKOV | *Drawings by Robin Jacques* | Doubleday & Company, Inc., Garden City, New York | 1959

Copyright page: Except for "Restoration" and "The Poplar" all the poems in this collection appeared originally in *The New Yorker* | Library of Congress Catalog Card Number 59-10681 | Copyright © 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1950, 1951, | 1953, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1959 by Vladimir Nabokov | All Rights Reserved | Printed in the United States of America | Designed by Diana Klemm | First Edition

Binding: Aqua cloth over boards. White endpapers. All edges trimmed.

Front cover: \gilt stamping\ POEMS \butterfly\.

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Spine: \running down, gilt stamping\ POEMS VLADIMIR NABOKOV DOUBLEDAY.

Covering: White dust jacket. **Front cover:** \creamy-white background\ \gray\ poems | VLADIMIR NABOKOV | \drawing of lepidopteron amid flora\.

Back cover: \text of poem, "A Literary Dinner"\.

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poems | VLADIMIR NABOKOV | \drawing of lepidopteron amid flora\ |

His complete poetic works | in English. | JACKET DESIGN BY ROBIN

JACQUES. **Back flap:** \photo of Nabokov, author biography\.

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Price: \$3.00

Description: Copies have either "A25" or "A26" in the lower-right corner of p. 44. The Library of Congress deposit copy, received 24-Aug-1959, has the former. (Also see *VB* 221-23.)

Works:

- 1) The Refrigerator Awakes. "Crash!"
- 2) A Literary Dinner. "Come here, said my hostess, her face making room"
- 3) A Discovery. "I found it in a legendary land"
- 4) The Poem. "Not the sunset poem you make when you think aloud,"
- 5) An Evening of Russian Poetry. "The subject chosen for to-night's discussion"
- 6) The Room. "The room a dying poet took"
- 7) Voluptates Tactionum. "Some inevitable day"
- 8) Restoration. "To think that any fool may tear"
- 9) The Poplar. "Before this house a poplar grows"
- 10) Lines Written in Oregon. "Esmeralda! Now we rest"
- 11) Ode to a Model. "I have followed you, model,"
- 12) On Translating "Eugene Onegin". "What is translation? On a platter"
- 13) Rain. "How mobile is the bed on these"
- 14) The Ballad of Longwood Glen. "That Sunday morning, at half past ten,"

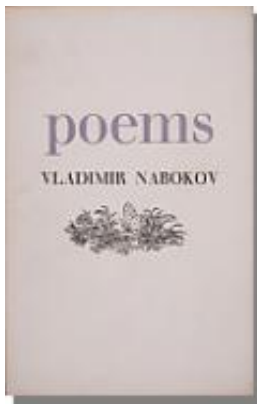
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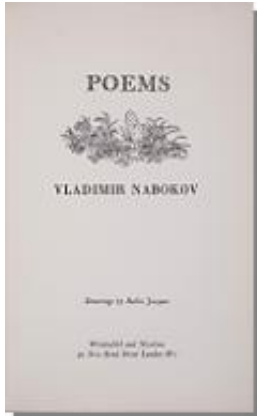
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A33.2 First printing, 1961, title page



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¶ First printing, 7-Apr-1961

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Weidenfeld & Nicolson | VLADIMIR NABOKOV POEMS.

Covering: White dust jacket. **Front cover:** \creamy-white background\ \gray\
poems | VLADIMIR NABOKOV | \drawing of lepidopteron amid flora\.

Back cover: \text of poem, "A Literary Dinner"\ **Spine:** \running down\
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