



Jonah and Sarah Jewish Stories of Russia and America The Library of Modern Jewish Literature

By David Shroyer-Petrov

Syracuse Univ Pr (Sd). Hardcover. Book Condition: New. Hardcover. 184 pages. Dimensions: 8.7in. x 6.3in. x 0.8in. In Jonah and Sarah, love, talent and magic oppose - and sometimes vanquish - anti-Semitism, totalitarianism and vulgarity. From the deceptively simple narratives Apple Cider Vinegar and A Hurricane Named Bob to the surrealist tale Dismemberers and the magical Jonah and Sarah and The Lansky Road, the tempo fluctuates, but throughout, David Shroyer-Petrov seamlessly preserves familiar voices. The stories have a genuine feel for setting and epoch - Soviet stories work as narratives of everyday life, while the American stories offer an accurate sense of an migrs alienation. Like all good works of fiction, these stories take on a mythic quality and transcend time and place. Each carries and communicates to the reader an aura of mystery, the enigma of love, and a meeting of Jewish past and present. Whether he invokes lyrical dialogue, gentle irony, or sharp polemical discourse, Shroyer-Petrov shows that he is a powerful presence in Russian and Jewish literature. For those interested in fiction about new immigrants to America or in the psychology of Jews in the two decades before the Soviet Unions collapse, this collection is a useful read...



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