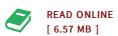




## Kültür Imleri / Cultural Signs

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Masa Yayinlari, Istanbul, 2015. Book Condition: New. The art of Akdeniz follows an evolutionary line that appears rather difficult to categorize, the plastic concerns and conceptual structuration principles of which are based on a certain principle. The evolution renders visible the concept of a unique art in which meaning and problems of form are triggered by one another, and symbols, images, and signs are in constant motion, revealing new possibilities. Akdenizs use of sign from the Anatolian Civilization, with which he has long been preccupied, indicates that the artist is concerned with capturing the life reigning over these lands through the letters in the Hittite, Hattian, Phrygian, and Greek alphabets as cultural codes. The geometry of Thales, the playfulness of Heraclitus, the oracle of Nietzsche are all there. In analyzing the art of Akdeniz, it can be argued briefly that the main concern of the artist is to acquire information from cultures, discover their genetic equivalents, and to create a new design principle by unearthing this information through a kind of temporal archaeology. Particularly from the early 1990s onwards, Akdeniz attributes a new function to the canvas and the frame: extending beyond the pictorial space, he enters a new experimental phase...



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