



Night Ride with Dahlia

By Philip James Daughtry

Mercury House. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Night Ride with Dahlia, Philip James Daughtry, In 1916 literate cowboy Devon Young reflects on his life's journey. Saved from death by a shamanic intervention, he embarks on a quest to rescue his love, Dahlia de Belardes, from banishment in California. Out to hunt buffalo for their wagon train, Devons father fails to return, requiring Devon and his mother to survive a hard winter of 1861 in a hastily-built sodbuster cabin on the North American plains. Devons mother becomes a teacher to Navajo survivors of "the long walk" -- one of many historic brutal forced marches toward captivity. With sympathies attached to the Navajo people, Devon is exiled from Fort Summers army community and painted as a renegade son "gone Indian". After his mother dies of fever, Devons entry into Navajo culture is furthered by the tribal elders offer of shelter in recognition of his mothers past kindness. A hunting expedition with his Navajo friends results in a nasty encounter with a group of Apache interrupted during a medicine ceremony. Devons life is saved by a crows intervention, a shamanic rescue that profoundly imprints his psyche, exiles him from the Navajo tribe,...



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