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*The Cambridge Companion to Cormac McCarthy* - Steven Frye 2013-04-22

Cormac McCarthy both embodies and redefines the notion of the artist as outsider. His fiction draws on recognizable American themes and employs dense philosophical and theological subtexts, challenging readers by depicting the familiar as inscrutably foreign. The essays in this Companion offer a sophisticated yet concise introduction to McCarthy's difficult and provocative work. The contributors, an international team of McCarthy scholars, analyze some of the most well-known and commonly taught novels - *Outer Dark*, *Blood Meridian*, *All the Pretty Horses* and *The Road* - while providing detailed treatments of McCarthy's work in cinema, including the many adaptations of his novels to film. Designed for scholars, teachers and general readers, and complete with a chronology and bibliography for further reading, this Companion is an essential reference for anyone interested in gaining a deeper understanding of one of America's most celebrated living novelists.

*The Crossing* - Cormac McCarthy 1995-03-14

NATIONAL BESTSELLER • The second volume of the award-winning Border Trilogy—from the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Road*—fulfills the promise of *All the Pretty Horses* and at the same time give us a work that is darker and more visionary, a novel with the unstoppable momentum of a classic western and the elegaic power of a lost American myth. In the late 1930s, sixteen-year-old Billy Parham captures a she-wolf that has been marauding his family's ranch. But instead of killing it, he decides to take it back to the mountains of Mexico. With that crossing, he begins an arduous and often dreamlike journey into a country where men meet ghosts and violence strikes as suddenly as heat-lightning—a world where there is no order "save that which death has put there." An essential novel by any measure, *The Crossing* is luminous and appalling, a book that touches, stops, and starts the heart and mind at once. Look for Cormac McCarthy's new novel, *The Passenger*.

[The Development of John Grady Cole in Cormac McCarthy's "All the Pretty Horses"](#) - Lydia Gaukler 2007-04-09

Seminar paper from the year 2006 in the subject American Studies - Literature, grade: 1,7, University of Mannheim, 14 entries in the bibliography, language: English, abstract: Cormac McCarthy is one of the most famous contemporary writers in America and is celebrated as one of the major American novelists of his time. However, this has not always been the case. Despite his earlier writings, it was for McCarthy's *All the Pretty Horses* that he finally became famous for. With the publication of this sixth novel, for which he won both the National Book Award and the National Book Critics Circle Award, he gained widespread recognition as an American writer. *All the Pretty Horses* was first published in 1992 and is the first part of his Border Trilogy. As Morrison notes most of McCarthy's novels [...] involve both metaphorical and literal journeys which bring their voyagers inevitably into a series of conflicts and confrontations with themselves as well as with the various communities intersected by their wanderings. And, in most of these novels, the central characters' journeys, however random in time and place they may be, are apparently rooted in dysfunctional families and troubled filial relationships. This also applies to *All The Pretty Horses*. In this novel, Cormac McCarthy concerns himself with the development of his main protagonist, the 16-year-old John Grady Cole: At the beginning of the novel, McCarthy portrays John Grady as a boy in search for adventure, freedom and a home. During his journey to Mexico however, he soon has to grow up. He has to witness the execution of his companion; he is put in jail even though he is innocent; he has to fight with other convicts, and at last he is attacked by a hired killer. He thus has to learn that the world is a

dangerous and violent place and that the world portrayed in *All The Pretty Horses* has nothing to do with an idyllic wild country as the novel's title might suggest. In the end, John Grady has hardened. He has killed a man, he has lost his innocence and he returns as a man and as a hero. In the following, I will first outline the plot of the novel. Then I shall want to concentrate on the development of its main character. Last, I like to discuss whether *All the Pretty Horses* may be read as a Bildungsroman. I will come to the conclusion that McCarthy's novel is partly a Bildungsroman and partly a Western for several reasons which I shall point out in due course.

**Fahrenheit 451** - Ray Bradbury 2003-09-23

A totalitarian regime has ordered all books to be destroyed, but one of the book burners suddenly realizes their merit.

**Fritz and the Beautiful Horses** - 1981

Fritz, a pony excluded from the group of beautiful horses within the walled city, becomes a hero when he rescues the children of the city. "Brett has created magnificent paintings that glorify her simple but engaging story".--Publishers Weekly. Full-color illustrations.

**All the Pretty Little Horses** - Jennifer Fosgate 2016-11-22

This colorful retelling of the traditional lullaby, illustrated with the unique paintings of equine artist Jennifer Fosgate, will delight horse enthusiasts young and old.

*Cormac McCarthy* - Sara Spurgeon 2011-08-04

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*All the Pretty Horses* - Cormac McCarthy 2010-08-11

NATIONAL BOOK AWARD WINNER • NATIONAL BESTSELLER • The first volume in the Border Trilogy, from the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Road* *All the Pretty Horses* is the tale of John Grady Cole, who at sixteen finds himself at the end of a long line of Texas ranchers, cut off from the only life he has ever imagined for himself. With two companions, he sets off for Mexico on a sometimes idyllic, sometimes comic journey to a place where dreams are paid for in blood. Look for Cormac McCarthy's new novel, *The Passenger*.

[Blood Meridian](#) - Cormac McCarthy 2010-08-11

25th ANNIVERSARY EDITION • An epic novel of the violence and depravity that attended America's westward expansion, *Blood Meridian* brilliantly subverts the conventions of the Western novel and the mythology of the Wild West—from the bestselling, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Road* Based on historical events that took place on the Texas-Mexico border in the 1850s, it traces the fortunes of the Kid, a fourteen-year-old Tennessean who stumbles into the nightmarish world where Indians are being murdered and the market for their scalps is thriving. Look for Cormac McCarthy's new novel, *The Passenger*.

*All the Pretty Horses* - Cormac McCarthy 1993

John Grady Cole is the last bewildered survivor of long generations of Texas ranchers. Finding himself cut off from the only life he has ever wanted, he sets out for Mexico with his friend Lacey Rawlins. Befriending a third boy on the way, they find a country beyond their imagining: barren and beautiful, rugged yet cruelly civilized; a place where dreams are paid for in blood.

**Cliffs Notes on McCarthy's All the Pretty Horses** - Jeanne Inness 2000

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#### **All the Pretty Little Horses** - 2005-06

A traditional lullaby presented with music, a note on the origin of the song, and pastel illustrations which reflect its possible connection to slaves in the American South.

#### **The Border Trilogy** - Cormac McCarthy 1999-09-28

From the acclaimed Pulitzer Prize-winner and one of America's greatest writers: available together in one volume, the three novels of Cormac McCarthy's award-winning and bestselling Border Trilogy constitute a genuine American epic. "An American classic to stand with the finest literary achievements of the century." —San Francisco Chronicle Beginning with *All the Pretty Horses* and continuing through *The Crossing* and *Cities of the Plain*, McCarthy chronicles the lives of two young men coming of age in the Southwest and Mexico, poised on the edge of a world about to change forever. Hauntingly beautiful, filled with sorrow and humor, *The Border Trilogy* is a masterful elegy for the American frontier. Look for Cormac McCarthy's new novel, *The Passenger*, coming October '22.

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#### **The Border Trilogy** - Cormac McCarthy 2018-07-12

With an introduction by novelist Rachel Kushner In the vanishing world of the Old West, two cowboys begin an epic adventure, and their own coming-of-age stories. In *All the Pretty Horses*, John Grady Cole's search for a future takes him across the Mexican border to a job as a ranch hand and an ill-fated romance. *The Crossing* is the story of sixteen-year-old Billy Parham, who sets off on a perilous journey across the mountains of Mexico, accompanied only by a lone wolf. Eventually the two come together in *Cities of the Plain*, in a stunning tale of loyalty and love. A true classic of American literature, *The Border Trilogy* is Cormac McCarthy's award-winning requiem for the American frontier. Beautiful and brutal, filled equally with sorrow and humour, it is a powerful story of two friends growing up in a world where blood and violence are conditions of life.

#### **The Stonemason** - Cormac McCarthy 1995-08-01

From the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Road* and the bestselling *Border Trilogy* comes a taut, expansively imagined drama about four generations of an American family. The setting is Louisville, Kentucky, in the 1970s. The Telfairs are stonemasons and have been for generations. Ben Telfair has given up his education to apprentice himself to his grandfather, Papaw, a man who knows that "true masonry is not held together by cement but...by the warp of the world." Out of the love that binds these two men and the gulf that separates them from the Telfairs who have forsaken—or dishonored—the family trade, Cormac McCarthy has crafted a drama that bears all the hallmarks of his great fiction: precise observation of the physical world; language that has the bite of common speech and the force of Biblical prose; and a breathtaking command of the art of storytelling. Look for Cormac McCarthy's new novel, *The Passenger*.

#### **The City of Tears** - Kate Mosse 2021-01-19

Following #1 Sunday Times bestseller *The Burning Chambers*, New York Times bestseller Kate Mosse returns with *The City of Tears*, a sweeping historical epic about love in a time of war. "Mosse is a master storyteller."—Madeline Miller, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Circe* *Alliances* and *Romance* August 1572: Minou Joubert and her husband Piet travel to Paris to attend a royal wedding which, after a decade of religious wars, is intended to finally bring peace between the Catholics and the Huguenots. Loyalty and Deception Also in Paris is their oldest enemy, Vidal, in pursuit of an ancient relic that will change the course of history. Revenge and Persecution Within days of the marriage, thousands will lie dead in the street, and Minou's family will be scattered to the four winds . . .

#### **All the Pretty Horses** - Cormac McCarthy 2012-02-02

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#### **All the Pretty Horses** - Cormac McCarthy 2010

*All the Pretty Horses* is an acknowledged masterpiece and a grand love story: a novel about childhood passing, along with innocence and a vanished American age. Steeped in the wisdom that comes only from loss, it is a magnificent parable of responsibility, revenge and survival.

#### **Seven Days in Utopia** - David L. Cook 2011-08-16

NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE starring Robert Duvall and Lucas Black This book is about influence and inspiration and a deeper, more profound way of looking at life. The story is based on thousands of athletes who author and performance psychologist Dr. David Cook has counseled, and the great mentors and teachers from whom he has learned. Told through the lives of two characters—an eccentric rancher with a

passion for teaching truth, and a young golf professional at the end of his rope looking to escape the pressures of the game—they represent each one of us in our various stages of growth. And through them we are reminded that, in life, we must be willing to coach and be coached. Life is never the same once you've been to Utopia. "Read it. Devour it. Keep it as a reference book. You'll be glad you did. Golf's Sacred Journey is a remarkable and encouraging story with an entirely different approach on how to succeed in your golf game."—Zig Ziglar, leading motivational expert and bestselling author "This book is full of wisdom that will enhance your game and I believe it just may change your life."—David Robinson, NBA MVP, 1992 Olympic Gold Medalist, Two Time World Champion

*All the Pretty Horses. Collection Edition* - Cormac McCarthy 2022-08

**All the Pretty Horses** - Cormac McCarthy 1993

The first book in a trilogy centreing on John Grady Cole, the last survivor of long generations of Texas ranchers, who runs off to Mexico after his mother sells their ranch and cuts him off from the only life he has ever wanted; This title is also available as a film.

**Ruby's World** - Karen Baldwin 2011-11

Karen Baldwin's masterful memoir reads like a suspense thriller as this resolute American woman of "a certain age" journeys alone to South Africa to teach Zulu children. There she encounters a stunning resistance to change from those who invited her. Baldwin's writing is candid, taut and relentless, as waves of cultural tension build to an unforeseen crisis that tests her courage and strength. -Phaedra Greenwood, Award Winning Journalist Karen Baldwin, through raw, honest, and vibrant writing, shares her journey to teach children in South Africa. Her good intentions are met by strong traditions and a real Africa—not an illusion or romanticized world—where nothing is wasted and there is little personal space. Baldwin's journey reveals the similarities in Zulu and American families' joys, pain, deception and love. -Dr. Andrea M. Heckman, PhD, Cultural Anthropologist, University of New Mexico An extraordinary story, beautifully told. Baldwin's account of her adventure in Africa is honest, moving, frequently funny, sometimes startling, and always compelling. This is a journey of faith, and it carries the reader along every twist and turn in that journey with remarkable clarity and grace. -Sean Murphy, Author, The Time of New Weather

**Selected Poems of Robert Penn Warren** - Robert Penn Warren 2001-03-01

John Burt's Selected Poems of Robert Penn Warren is more broadly representative of Warren's poetry than any previous selected gathering. More than two hundred poems from every phase grace the volume, a vehicle ideal for sampling—or soaking in—the finest of Warren's rich output. With each poem, Burt has carefully located the version that constitutes Warren's final revision. His introduction gives an eloquent overview of the poet's career, touching on every published book of verse and highlighting significant lines. A "selected" collection in the truest sense, featuring several previously unpublished pieces, this treasure is at once new and familiar. At the heart of Warren's poetry is a celebration of man's intellect and imagination, his integral place within nature, and his relationship to time and the past; ultimately, joy coexists with the knowledge of life's many mysteries, including its tragedies. Selected Poems, a generous survey and a convenient compendium, is the shining portal to this greatly gifted poet.

*The Horses of Cormac McCarthy's «All the Pretty Horses»: Rides and Rites of Passage* - Vanessa Keiper 2021-03-19

The horses in All the Pretty Horses are ubiquitous but rarely the center of attention. Their depiction is surprisingly authentic and without anthropomorphization. This book illustrates how an equicentric reading offers new insights into the novel's spaces, characters, and relationships. It features comparisons with popular horse-narratives and an equicentric analysis of the novel's gender relations. How does horsemanship redefine masculinity? What is the inherent connection between femininity and the equine? This book answers these questions from an equicentric perspective, while taking into account patterns of anthropocentrism and misogyny. In addition, the focus is on the narratees and on how the degree of equine experience they bring to the narrative may enhance the horses' figurative significance.

*All the Pretty Horses* - Susan Jeffers 1985-03

A little girl dreams of horses.

*A Reader's Manifesto* - B. R. Myers 2002

Offers an indictment of contemporary literary writing, providing assessments of such writers as Don DeLillo, Cormac McCarthy, and Annie Proulx.

*All the Pretty Horses* - Cormac McCarthy 1992

Cut off from the life of ranching he has come to love by his grandfather's death, John Grady Cole flees to Mexico, where he and his two companions embark on a rugged and cruelly idyllic adventure

**The Border Trilogy** - Cormac McCarthy 2008

This handsome edition of McCarthy's completed Border Trilogy in one volume gives the reader one of the most important works of American fiction of the last decades. McCarthy's work is far more than a western, but crosses the borders between fiction and philosophy, the real and the world of dream. With influences ranging from the traditional western; the coming-of-age story; the courtly romance; classical tragedy; and magical realism, McCarthy's masterpiece is a work to be read and read again. This new volume containing all three of the novels, All the Pretty Horses, The Crossing, and Cities of the Plain, is a welcome addition to the canon of McCarthy's works in print.

**The Gardener's Son** - Cormac McCarthy 2014-12-09

The screenplay for McCarthy's classic film, bearing in full measure his gift—the ability to fit complex and universal emotions into ordinary lives and still preserve all of their power and significance In the spring of 1975 the film director Richard Pearce approached Cormac McCarthy with a screenplay idea. Though already a widely acclaimed novelist, the author of such modern classics as The Orchard Keeper and Child of God, McCarthy had never before written a screenplay. Using a few photographs in the footnotes to a 1928 biography of a famous pre-Civil War industrialist as inspiration, McCarthy and Pearce roamed the mill towns of the South researching their subject. A year later McCarthy finished The Gardener's Son, a taut, riveting drama of impotence, rage, and violence spanning two generations of mill owners and workers, fathers and sons, during the rise and fall of one of America's most bizarre utopian industrial experiments. Produced as a two-hour film and broadcast on PBS in 1976, The Gardener's Son received two Emmy Award nominations and was shown at the Berlin and Edinburgh Film Festivals. Set in Graniteville, South Carolina, The Gardener's Son is the tale of two families: the wealthy Greggs, who own and operate the local cotton mill, and the McEvoy's, a family of mill workers beset by misfortune. The action opens as Robert McEvoy, a young mill worker, is having his leg amputated after an accident rumored to have been caused by James Gregg, the son of the mill's founder. Crippled and consumed by bitterness, McEvoy deserts both his job and his family. Returning two years later at the news of his mother's terminal illness, McEvoy arrives only to confront the grave diggers preparing her final resting place. His father, the mill's gardener, is now working on the factory line, the gardens forgotten. These proceedings stoke the slow-burning rage McEvoy carries within him, a fury that will ultimately consume both families.

*Cormac McCarthy's All the Pretty Horses* - Harold Bloom 2004

A critical overview of the work features such contributors as Alan Cheuse, Phillip A. Snyder, Edwin T. Arnold, Sara L. Spurgeon, and Dianne C. Luce.

**Cormac McCarthy's Western Novels** - Barclay Owens 2000-07-01

In the continuing redefinition of the American West, few recent writers have left a mark as indelible as Cormac McCarthy. A favorite subject of critics and fans alike despite—or perhaps because of—his avoidance of public appearances, the man is known solely through his writing. Thanks to his early work, he is most often associated with a bleak vision of humanity grounded in a belief in man's primordial aggressiveness. McCarthy scholar Barclay Owens has written the first book to concentrate exclusively on McCarthy's acclaimed western novels: Blood Meridian, National Book Award winner All the Pretty Horses, The Crossing, and Cities of the Plain. In a thought-provoking analysis, he explores the differences between Blood Meridian and the Border Trilogy novels and shows how those differences reflect changing conditions in contemporary American culture. Owens captures both Blood Meridian's wanton violence and the Border Trilogy's fond remembrance of the Old West. He shows how this dramatic shift from atavistic brutality to nostalgic Americana suggests that McCarthy has finally given his readers what they most want—the stuff of their mythic dreams. Owens's study is both an incisive look at one of our most important and demanding authors and a penetrating analysis of violence and myth in American culture. Fans of McCarthy's work will find much to consider for ongoing discussions of this influential body of work.

**Polo Cowboy** - G. Neri 2021-10-12

How does a Black kid from North Philly wind up playing polo? The much-anticipated sequel to *Ghetto Cowboy*, now a major motion picture starring Idris Elba and *Stranger Things*'s Caleb McLaughlin. When Cole moves in with his dad, Harp, he thinks life will be sweet—just him and his horse, Boo, hanging out with Philadelphia's urban cowboys. But when Harp says he has to get a job, Cole winds up as a stable hand for the polo team at George Washington Military Academy, where the players are rich, white, and stuck-up—all except Ruthie, the team's first and only girl, who's determined to show the others she can beat them at their own game. As Cole and Ruthie become friends—and maybe more—he starts imagining his future, maybe even at the academy. But between long workdays, arrogant polo players, and a cousin trying to pull Cole into his dangerous business, that future seems remote. Will Cole find the courage to stand and be seen in a world determined to keep him out? With striking illustrations by Jesse Joshua Watson, celebrated author G. Neri's novel weaves themes of tenacity and community into a rousing sports story inspired by Philadelphia's real-life urban cowboys and polo players.

**The Sunset Limited** - Cormac McCarthy 2010-08-11

From the bestselling, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Road*—a startling encounter on a New York subway platform leads two strangers to a run-down tenement where a life or death decision must be made. In that small apartment, "Black" and "White," as the two men are known, begin a conversation that leads each back through his own history, mining the origins of two fundamentally opposing world views. White is a professor whose seemingly enviable existence of relative ease has left him nonetheless in despair. Black, an ex-con and ex-addict, is the more hopeful of the men—though he is just as desperate to convince White of the power of faith as White is desperate to deny it. Their aim is no less than this: to discover the meaning of life. Deft, spare, and full of artful tension, *The Sunset Limited* is a beautifully crafted, consistently thought-provoking, and deceptively intimate work by one of the most insightful writers of our time.

[All the Pretty Horses](#) - Cormac McCarthy 1993

To 16-årige drenges møde med en barsk og uretfærdig verden, da de i 1948 bryder op fra Texas for at søge lykken i Mexico

*Perspectives on Cormac McCarthy* - Edwin T. Arnold 2012

Cormac McCarthy's first novel, *The Orchard Keeper*, won the William Faulkner Award. His other books - *Outer Dark*, *Child of God*, *Suttree*, and *Blood Meridian* - have drawn a cult readership and the praise of such writers as Annie Dillard and Shelby Foote. "There are so many people out there who seem to have a hunger to know more about McCarthy's work," says McCarthy scholar Vereen Bell. Helping to satisfy such a need, this collection of essays, one of the few critical studies of Cormac McCarthy, introduces his work and lays the groundwork for study of an important but underrecognized American novelist, winner in 1992 of the National Book Award and the National Book Critics Circle Award for *All the Pretty Horses*. The essays explore McCarthy's historical and philosophical sources, grapple with the difficult task of identifying the moral center in his works, and identify continuities in his fiction. Included too is a bibliography of works by and about him. As they reflect critical perspectives on the works of this eminent writer, these essays afford a pleasing introduction to all his novels and his screenplay, "The Gardener's Son."

**Cities of the Plain** - Cormac McCarthy 2010-08-11

In this final volume of *The Border Trilogy*, two men marked by the boyhood adventures of *All the Pretty Horses* and *The Crossing* now stand together, in the still point between their vivid pasts and uncertain

futures, to confront a country changing or already changed beyond recognition. In the fall of 1952, John Grady Cole and Billy Parham--nine years apart in age, yet with a kinship greater than perhaps they know--are cowboys on a New Mexico ranch encroached upon from the north, at Alamogordo, by the military. To the south, always on the horizon are the mountains of Mexico, looming over El Paso, Ciudad Juárez and all the cities of the plain. Bound by nature to horses and cattle and range, these two discover that ranchlife domesticity is compromised, for them and the men they work with, by a geometry of loss afflicting old and young alike, those who have survived it and anyone about to try. And what draws one of them across the border again and again, what would bind "those disparate but fragile worlds," is a girl seized by ill fortune, and a love as dangerous as it is inevitable. This story of friendship and passion is enfolded in a narrative replete with character and place and event--a blind musician, a marauding pack of dogs, curio shops and ancient petroglyphs, a precocious shoe-shine boy, trail drives from the century before, midnight on the highway--and with landforms and wildlife and horses and men, most of all men and the women they love and mourn, men and their persistence and memories and dreams. With the terrible beauty of *Cities of the Plain*--with its magisterial prose, humor both wry and out-right, fierce conviction and unwavering humanity--Cormac McCarthy has completed a landmark of our literature and times, an epic that reaches from tales of the old west, the world past, into the new millennium, the world to come.

[Cormac McCarthy's All the Pretty Horses](#) - Stephen Tatum 2002-01-11

This is part of a new series of guides to contemporary novels. The aim of the series is to give readers accessible and informative introductions to some of the most popular, most acclaimed and most influential novels of recent years - from 'The Remains of the Day' to 'White Teeth'. A team of contemporary fiction scholars from both sides of the Atlantic has been assembled to provide a thorough and readable analysis of each of the novels in question.

[The Orchard Keeper](#) - Cormac McCarthy 1993-02-02

The first novel from one of America's most celebrated novelists, the bestselling, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Road*. Set in a remote community in rural Tennessee in the years between the two world wars, it is the story of a young boy and a bootlegger who, unbeknownst to either of them, has killed the boy's father. The boy, John Wesley Rattner, and the outlaw, Marion Sylder--together with Rattner's Uncle Ather, who belongs to a former age in his communion with nature and his stoic independence--enact a drama that seems born of the land itself. All three are heroes of an intense and compelling celebration of values lost to time and industrialization. Look for Cormac McCarthy's new novel, *The Passenger*.

[The Crossing](#) - Cormac McCarthy 2010-12-10

*The Crossing* forms the second part of Cormac McCarthy's critically acclaimed *Border Trilogy*, a story that began with *All the Pretty Horses* and concludes with *Cities of the Plain*. Set on the south-western ranches in the years before the Second World War, Cormac McCarthy's *The Crossing* follows the fortunes of sixteen-year-old Billy Parham and his younger brother Boyd. Fascinated by an elusive wolf that has been marauding his family's property, Billy captures the animal - but rather than kill it, sets out impulsively for the mountains of Mexico to return it to where it came from. When Billy comes back to his own home he finds himself and his world irrevocably changed. His loss of innocence has come at a price, and once again the border beckons with its desolate beauty and cruel promise. 'The Crossing is like a river in full spate: beautiful and dangerous' *The Times* This edition is part of the Picador Collection, a new list of the best in contemporary literature published in Picador's 50th Anniversary year. McCarthy's eagerly anticipated new novels, *The Passenger* and *Stella Maris*, will be published by Picador in October 2022.