



## Jackalope Dreams: A Novel.

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University of Nebraska, Lincoln, 2008. Hardcover. Condition: New. First Edition.. 404 pages. Hardcover with dustjacket. New book. FICTION. The departed men in her life still have plenty to say to Corey. Her father, a legendary rodeo cowboy who punctuated his lifelong pronouncements with a bullet to his head, may be the loudest. But in this story of MontanaÑa story in which the old West meets the new and tradition has its way with just about everyoneÑit is Corey's voice we listen to. In this tour-de-force of voices big and small, sure and faltering, hers comes across resonant and clear, directing us to the heart of the matter. Played out against the mythology of the Old WestÑa powerful amalgam of ranching history, Marlboro Men, and train robbery reenactmentsÑthe story of the newly orphaned, spinsterish Corey is a sometimes comical, sometimes poignant tale of coming-of-age a little late. As she tries to recapture an old dream of becoming a painterÑof preserving some modicum of true art amid the virtual reality of modern Montana ÑCorey finds herself figuring in other dramas as well, other, younger lives already at least as lost as her own. Mary Clearman Blew is the author of the acclaimed...



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