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## Hunger Moon

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By Susan Deer Cloud

Shabda Press. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 180 pages. Dimensions: 9.0in. x 6.0in. x 0.4in. Native American poet Susan Deer Cloud is the master of the long lament, and Hunger Moon is her mournful and magical masterpiece. The work is a song of celebration, but at times her pen becomes a low-sounding cedar flute, searching for that sorrowful note at the bottom of all the holes. When Deer Cloud lets loose one of her salty soliloquies about her mixed lineage mountain people and their exuberant and long-suffering lives, she clears the deck and points the finger at us all. But none of the colorful characters that inhabit Hunger Moon receive more poetic punishment than the poet herself. She wields a self-deprecating style of humor that goes beyond the call of humility. Deer Cloud digs deeper into the back-country Catskill mud she flings to find momentary marvels of wisdom and insight that are simply stunning . . . sentences of solid gold. At those moments . . . and there are many . . . readers will feel they have discovered genius and perhaps touched immortality. -Evan Pritchard, Mikmac, professor of Native Studies and author of No Word For Time, Bird Medicine...



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