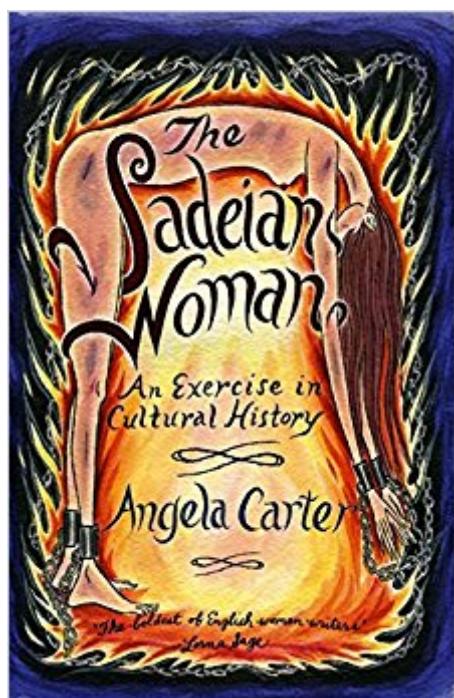


The book was found

# The Sadeian Woman (Virago Modern Classics)



## Synopsis

'Sexuality is power' - so says the Marquis de Sade, philosopher and pornographer extraordinaire. His virtuous Justine keeps to the rules laid down by men, her reward rape and humiliation; his Juliette, Justine's triumphantly monstrous antithesis, viciously exploits her sexuality. In a world where all tenderness is false, all beds are minefields. But now Sade has met his match. With invention and genius, Angela Carter takes on these outrageous figments of his extreme imagination, and transforms them into symbols of our time - the Hollywood sex goddesses, mothers and daughters, pornography, even the sacred shrines of sex and marriage lie devastatingly exposed before our eyes. Angela Carter delves into the viscera of our distorted sexuality and reveals a dazzling vision of love which admits neither of conqueror nor of conquered.

## Book Information

Series: Virago Modern Classics (Book 79)

Paperback: 192 pages

Publisher: Virago (October 5, 2006)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1844083772

ISBN-13: 978-1844083770

Product Dimensions: 5 x 0.4 x 7.8 inches

Shipping Weight: 5.6 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 3.0 out of 5 stars 2 customer reviews

Best Sellers Rank: #434,505 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #81 in Books > Politics & Social Sciences > Social Sciences > Pornography #179 in Books > Literature & Fiction > History & Criticism > Regional & Cultural > European > French #191 in Books > Literature & Fiction > History & Criticism > Women Authors

## Customer Reviews

"Few women would feel inclined to treat the Marquis de Sade with affectionate familiarity. But Angela Carter is neither ordinary nor timid. The tone is one of intellectual relish | rational | refined | witty" "New Statesman" The boldest of English women writers." "Lorna Sage

"Sexuality is power," wrote the Marquis de Sade. His virtuous Justine kept to the rules laid down by men, her reward rape and humiliation; his Juliette, Justine's triumphantly monstrous antithesis, viciously exploited her sexuality. This is a world where all tenderness is false, and all beds are

minefields. But now Sade has met his match. With invention and genius, celebrated novelist Angela Carter takes on these figments of his extreme imagination and transforms them into symbols of our time: the Hollywood sex goddesses, mothers and daughters, pornography, even the sacred shrines of sex and marriage lie devastatingly exposed before our eyes. Carter delves into the viscera of our distorted sexuality and reveals a stunning vision of love that admits neither the conqueror nor the conquered. A dazzling meditation on women's sexual freedom. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This is a brilliant book, and brilliantly fun to read. Carter analyzes the women in the work of the Marquis de Sade, gleaning remarkable insights into how women survive in a man's world (hint: virtue will get you nowhere). This book is everything that literary criticism should be—surprising, clever, and offering a new way to look at the world around you through the prism of unlikely heroines. I cannot recommend this book highly enough.

There is little in the way of analysis of Sade's thought in this book. As philosophy, or simply as nonfiction, the author presents ideas then contradicts them then rambles on to another topic. A good chunk of the book is about Hollywood movies. The premise is important. The execution is not. The writing style is pedestrian and the vocabulary is too limited. There's no Sade, no Sadeian woman, little exercise, and shallow cultural history. Surprisingly bad book from a usually very good writer.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

The Sadeian Woman (Virago Modern Classics) Olivia (Virago Modern Classics) West With The Night (Virago Modern Classics) The Passionate Nomad: The Diary of Isabelle Eberhardt (Virago/Beacon Traveler Series) The Desert and the Sown (Virago/Beacon Travelers) The Cruel Way (Virago/Beacon Travelers) Modern Classics Orwell in Spain (Penguin Modern Classics) Modern Classics Journeys End (Modern Classics (Penguin)) Modern Classics Remote People (Penguin Modern Classics) Modern Essentials Bundle 6th - Modern Essentials 6th Edition a Contemporary Guide to the Therapeutic Use of Essential Oils, An Introduction to Modern Essentials, and Modern Essentials Reference Card Emergence of the Modern Mexican Woman (Women and Modern Revolution) Penguin Classics Homage To Catalonia (Penguin Modern Classics) Profiles in Courage: Deluxe Modern Classic (Harper Perennial Modern Classics) Girl on Girl (Lesbian Erotic Romance with Explicit Sex): Older Woman, Younger Woman Taboo Short Stories Girl on Girl (Lesbian Erotic Romance with Explicit Sex): Older Woman, Younger Woman Erotica w/ Alternate FFM Ménage Ending Breast Cancer? Breast Health!: The Wise Woman Way (Wise Woman

Herbal) The Art of Pleasing a Woman: Learn the True Desires of a Woman and How to Get Her and Keep Her What Women Want, Dating Advice For Men: 7 Steps to Win a Woman's Heart, Become a Man that Women Can't Resist, Proven Steps to Bed a Woman of Your Dreams (+FREE Book Inside) The Richest Woman In Babylon And Manhattan: (The Goddess of Wisdom Teaches Seven Secrets for " Financial Fitness" about Woman & Money Book 1) Wonder Woman Classic: I Am Wonder Woman (I Can Read Level 2)

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)