



## The Arch of Desire

By Vicente Munoz Puelles, Kristina Cordero, Vicente Muunoz Puelles

Grove Press / Atlantic Monthly Press. Paperback / softback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, The Arch of Desire, Vicente Munoz Puelles, Kristina Cordero, Vicente Muunoz Puelles, A delectable novel of a man's lifelong devotion to erotic exploration, The Arch of Desire is based very loosely on the life of the artist Pierre Molinier, admired by the surrealists and creator of a many-layered erotic universe. As the novel opens, Pierre is a boy, raised by a wealthy family of Belgian wine-makers. Precociously curious about the opposite sex -- particularly the intimate garments he finds drying in the laundry room -- he is initiated into the erotic by a family servant and soon moves on to the more forbidden charms of his lovely, sophisticated half sister. As he comes of age -- attending art school, becoming an acclaimed painter, and settling in Bordeaux -- Pierre simultaneously pursues ever more complex pleasures, devouring his father's collection of de Sade, Restif de la Bretonne, and other erotic classics, sampling the varieties of women -- from a Senegalese prostitute, to a lesbian who works as a dominatrix to rich men, to a beautiful German who becomes his last, most perfect lover - and exploring the...



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