Record Nr. UNINA9910465220703321 Autore Walsh Bridget <1964-> **Titolo** Domestic murder in nineteenth-century England : literary and cultural representations / / Bridget Walsh Pubbl/distr/stampa Farnham, England;; Burlington, Vermont:,: Ashgate,, 2014 ©2014 **ISBN** 1-317-14844-4 1-4724-2104-3 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (194 p.) Disciplina 820.9/355 English literature - 19th century - History and criticism Soggetti Popular literature - Great Britain - History and criticism Murder in literature Family violence in literature Social values in literature Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Cover; Contents; List of Figures; Acknowledgements; Introduction; 1 'The Demon in the Dock': Domestic Murder in Street Literature and the Newspaper Press; 2 'The Theatre of His Deep Dyed Guilt': Domestic Murder and the Victorian Stage; 3 'Mixed Motives and Mixed Morality': The Newgate Novel Debate; 4 'Monsters of Affection': The Male Domestic Murderer and Models of Masculinity; 5 'Changed, indeed, but not transformed': The Fin de Siecle and the Female Domestic Murderer; Conclusion; Bibliography; Index Sommario/riassunto Examining novels, trial transcripts, medico-legal documents, broadsides, criminal and scientific writing, illustration and, notably, Victorian melodrama, Bridget Walsh focuses on the relationship between the domestic sphere, so central to Victorian values, and the desecration of that space by the act of murder. Her book tackles crucial questions related to Victorian ideas of nationhood, national health, inequality, newspaper coverage of murder, contested models of

masculinity and the portrayal of the female domestic murderer at the