1. Record Nr. UNINA9910765847403321 Autore Vickery Walter N Titolo M. lu. Lermontov. His Life and Work Bern,: Peter Lang International Academic Publishers, 2001 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 9783876908137 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (430) 891.71/3 Disciplina В Soggetti Poetry Lingua di pubblicazione Tedesco **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Sommario/riassunto Displaying his characteristic balance between sympathy and detachment, Vickery has first provided a concise, but richly detailed account of Lermontov's brief and tragic life. His approach is above all sensible - down-to-earth and fair. Lermontov was a romantic, really the only Russian poet who fully fits that designation. Vickery understands very well the romantic ethos, but he is no romantic him self. He treats with tolerant but ironic amusement the adolescent posturing of Lermontov's early Byronism. He is less tolerant of the frequent arrogance and even cruelty in Lermontov's behavior toward those close to him, especially women. On the other hand, Vickery recognizes Lermontov's genuine longing for intimacy and affection and

credits his capacity for friendship and generosity. He also effectively

traces all these conflicting im pulses in Lermontov's poetry.