Record Nr. UNINA9910785485703321 Autore Mabille Louise Titolo Nietzsche and the Anglo-Saxon tradition / Louise Mabille Pubbl/distr/stampa London; New York,: Continuum, 2009 **ISBN** 1-4725-4712-8 1-282-87562-0 9786612875625 1-4411-6913-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (218 p.) Collana Continuum studies in Continental philosophy 193 Disciplina Soggetti Anglo-Saxon race - Intellectual life Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (pages [194]-197) and index Introduction: the English type -- Englishmen underground; or, The Nota di contenuto case of the abdicated playwright -- Hobbes against the world -- Locke. life, language -- Hume on the use and abuse of scepticism for life --"Some have suspected me of Darwinism" -- The impossible John Stuart Mill -- How Monsieur George Eliot added insult to injury -- Wrong but romantic -- Shakespeare, Sterne, and stage -- The great American who loved the world Introduction: The English Type -- 1. Englishmen Underground; or the Case of the Abdicated Playwright -- 2. Hobbes Against the World -- 3. Locke, Life, Language -- 4. Hume on the Use and Abuse of Scepticism for Life -- 5. 'Some Have Suspected Me of Darwinism' -- 6. The Impossible John Stuart Mill -- 7. How Monsieur George Eliot Added Insult to Injury -- 8. Wrong But Romantic -- 9. Shakespeare, Sterne amd Stage -- 10. The Great American Who Loved the World --Bibliography -- Index Sommario/riassunto This book offers the first detailed examination of the influence of the English-speaking world on the development of Nietzsche's philosophy. In recent years, Nietzsche's reputation has undergone a transformation and he is today seen as one of the greatest defenders of human freedom. His is more than just a model for political liberty. It is a grand vision of what humanity could be if it really unleashed its creative

power. And Nietzsche owes more than just a passing debt to the Anglo-Saxon world in the construction of this vision. Yet much of what Nietzsche has to say about the British philosophy reaches the pitch of denunciation and personal insult. He refers to Darwin as 'mediocre'; and to John Stuart Mill as 'that flathead'. While he gladly acknowledges the French roots of his thought, very little has been said about the English giants whose influence abounds in his work. Louise Mabille fills a gap in the scholarship on Nietzsche by offering an important and fascinating account of his engagement with the Anglo-Saxon philosophical tradition.