1. Record Nr. UNINA9910812626403321 Autore Virgil Titolo Virgil's Eclogues / / translated by Len Krisak; introduction by Gregson Davis Pubbl/distr/stampa Philadelphia, : University of Pennsylvania Press, c2010 **ISBN** 0-8122-2217-2 1-283-89666-4 0-8122-0536-7 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (112 p.) KrisakLen <1948-> Altri autori (Persone) Disciplina 871/.01 Pastoral poetry, Latin Soggetti Country life - Rome Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Frontmatter -- Contents -- Introduction -- Translator's preface -- The Nota di contenuto Ecloques -- Ecloga 1 -- Ecloga 1I -- Ecloga 1II -- Ecloga 1V -- Ecloga V -- Ecloga VI -- Ecloga VII -- Ecloga VIII -- Ecloga IX -- Ecloga X --Notes Publius Vergilius Maro (70-19 B.C.), known in English as Virgil, was Sommario/riassunto perhaps the single greatest poet of the Roman empire-a friend to the emperor Augustus and the beneficiary of wealthy and powerful patrons. Most famous for his epic of the founding of Rome, the Aeneid, he wrote two other collections of poems: the Georgics and the Bucolics, or Ecloques. The Ecloques were Virgil's first published poems. Ancient sources say that he spent three years composing and revising them at about the age of thirty. Though these poems begin a sequence that continues with the Georgics and culminates in the Aeneid, they are no less elegant in style or less profound in insight than the later, more extensive works. These intricate and highly polished variations on the idea of the pastoral poem, as practiced by earlier Greek poets, mix political, social, historical, artistic, and moral commentary in musical Latin that exerted a profound influence on subsequent Western poetry.

Poet Len Krisak's vibrant metric translation captures the music of Virgil's richly textured verse by employing rhyme and other sonic

devices. The result is English poetry rather than translated prose. Presenting the English on facing pages with the original Latin, Virgil's Eclogues also features an introduction by scholar Gregson Davis that situates the poems in the time in which they were created.