Record Nr. UNINA9910818152603321 Autore Graf Arturo <1848-1913.> Titolo Art of the Devil / / Arturo Graf Pubbl/distr/stampa New York, : Parkstone International, c2009 **ISBN** 1-283-95761-2 1-78042-994-0 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (256 p.) Collana Temporis collection Disciplina 704.9487 Devil - Christianity Soggetti Devil in art Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Translation of II diavolo. Originally published in Italian in 1889. With Note generali new illustrations. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto CONTENTS; Introduction; The Devil; The Person of the Devil; The Number, Abodes, Qualities, Orders, Hierarchy, Knowledge and Power of Devils; Acts of the Devil; The Devil as Tempter; The Loves and the Offspring of the Devil; Pacts with the Devil; Magic; The History of Magic and Magical Practices; Magicians and Witches; The Inquisition: The Persecution of Magic; Hell; More about Hell; Defeats of the Devil; Conclusion; Notes; Bibliography; Index "The Devil holds the strings which move us!" (Charles Baudelaire, The Sommario/riassunto Flowers of Evil, 1857.) Satan, Beelzebub, Lucifer... the Devil has many names and faces, all of which have always served artists as a source of inspiration. Often commissioned by religious leaders as images of fear or veneration, depending on the society, representations of the underworld served to instruct believers and lead them along the path of righteousness. For other artists, such as Hieronymus Bosch, they provided a means of denouncing the moral decrepitude of one's contemporaries. In the same way, literature dealing wit