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One man's poetic exploration into the wonderment of women.  
His journey of discovery is thoughtful and lighthearted,  
serious and funny, and always illuminating.

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## Liking Women

I like the thousand ways that women are different  
from men and other creatures.

Their clear eyes, innocent but knowing,  
making incisions through surfaces,  
eyes that have resisted mom and dad, boss and priest,  
cop and banker, mechanic and landlord.

I admire how they walk faster than I can jog,  
stare at me with hands on hips,  
the way they know which colors match  
and even know what the different colors are,  
how they know they can be late  
and be forgiven for that grievous lapse.

I can live with their strange  
attachments for bathrooms and purses,  
thank you notes and phone calls without goals,  
for going shopping without buying,  
with misplacing keys more times than I do,  
and sometimes also losing me.

I even like the way they talk about us men  
being the primates of the species,  
better suited for life within caves,  
our fixations about sex and remote controls  
and putting sports above commitments -  
so sure are women about their place in evolution.

## A Public Acknowledgment

she is one of the small centers of creation  
wet nurse for the world and its young  
band aid for the weeping sick  
sorceress of healing knowledge  
chef for the hungry and lazy  
janitor for countless living houses  
manager of daily events  
director of official secrets  
commander of the flow of communication  
but we will just call her the everyday woman

for yourself

there is not always  
enough of you  
to go around  
so keep  
the  
most important part  
just for yourself

## Affinity

She is earth  
    bosom and womb  
fecund within her warmth

He is moon  
    cold and distant  
waiting to rise in her east

## Elemental

If you ever loved a woman,  
it would be as to love mother earth,  
to be safely folded in a warm valley,  
with a soft haze  
and such elemental sweet smell.

So much to belong to,  
sleeping there by your body,  
quiet breath in your ear,  
somehow a strand of hair across your cheek,  
and the perfect curve of nature



## A Dream

Last night I dreamed a dream  
just for you because  
you don't own really good dreams anymore

and somehow will place my dream into your head  
so that it opens up  
unfolds its vision chapters into your mental library

building from literary references  
allusions, illusions  
adventures, madcap escapades, erotic fling

page after page of your new character's  
autobiography, for you, mystic woman  
night after night.

## As You Are

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I treasure this woman  
more than treasures  
stolen from earth

Her scent and sense  
freely given than any blossom  
let her grow

And  
carry on when

her skin is older  
but still smooth to my touch  
and glowing like the rarest gem

Her walk is older  
but she manages it with the grace  
of a body that goes untethered

Her eyes are older  
but they always sparkle  
gained from the love of life

Her mind is older  
but with the true wisdom  
of liking herself and others

## Friends

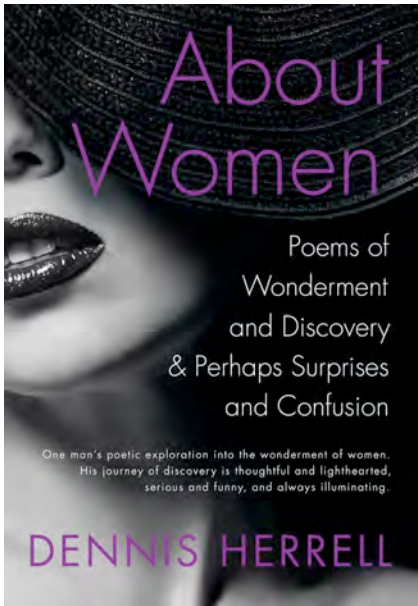
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One Friend

is  
the blue aura  
of a calm day,  
is a way  
of arranging thoughts  
into a garden,  
is a quiet smile.

Another

is  
a book with  
many endings,  
is a tulip showing  
the promise of a new spring,  
is always a new path.



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