



## The Next Country

By Idra Novey

Alice James Books. Paperback / softback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, The Next Country, Idra Novey, "Big-hearted, individualistic in scope and voice, Idra Novey's *The Next Country* surveys a terrain that's truly multifaceted and calibrated down to every word, every nuance. Each poem's imagistic certainty enlarges meaning. Line by line, a playful innuendo moves us, and we find ourselves in that rugged country of the human spirit where enlightenment and surprise are twin rulers."--Yusef Komunyakaa In these powerful lyric poems, Idra Novey's exploration of "country" extends beyond national boundaries into the countries of marriage and family, history and the unspoken, leading to a bold and imaginative reckoning of the self with the larger world. From "Into the Atacama": When I said I wished this trip, I meant the rush of songas we left the city. I meant the bus. I meant the woman who played her flip-fl ops like drum sticks against the window. For singing with strangers in a desert is like getting close to the moon. And the glow of a moment is like a moon, caught behind clouds and then visible and then hidden again. And when I said here, I meant elsewhere-- I meant moving. Idra Novey has received awards from...



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