



## Wild Punch

By Creston Lea

Turtle Point Press. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Wild Punch, Creston Lea, "Attentive, sure-footed, possessed of an engaging voice and, best of all, a spirit of generosity, Creston Lea's Wild Punch is an exciting new find for any serious reader of short stories."--Rick Bass These debut stories, set in northern New England, portray the revelatory moments of small-timers, clergymen, hotheads, day laborers, motorcycle racers, loggers, horse farmers, and young veterans of the Gulf War. In Wild Punch, Creston Lea achieves the rare congruence of language and landscape. Creston Lea's writing is realistic and understated. His style can be compared to writers like Raymond Carver and Tobias Wolff. He is as much a master of local grit as he is of local color. Lea is an author who clearly loves his characters. He understands their contradictions and their stark daily realities, and he writes about them with an authority based on authenticity, generosity, grace, and sharply observed humanity. Creston Lea was born in New Hampshire in 1971. He has lived in northern New England for all but his academic years, during which time he received an MFA from the lowa Writers' Workshop. His stories have appeared in DoubleTake, Open City,...



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