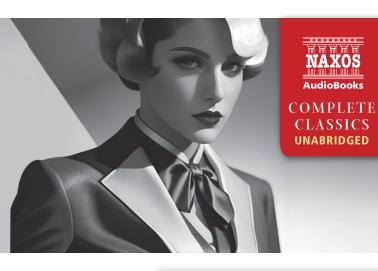
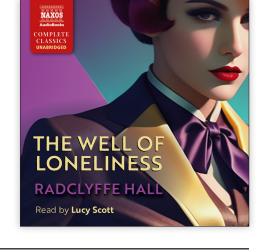
THE WELL OF LONELINESS

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One of the most influential gay and lesbian novels, *The Well of Loneliness* recounts the life and loves of Stephen Gordon, a defiant woman who simply wants to be true to herself. Named by a father who wanted a boy, Stephen is a keen fencer, horse rider and lover of women. Her less-than-feminine behaviour causes a rift between her and her mother and eventually she leaves home, living on her own terms and experiencing a series of affairs. Her journey of self-discovery takes her from bohemian Paris to the battlefield of World War One, where she becomes a hero – while we witness her joy and pain at being an 'other'. Banned for obscenity in 1928 and not republished until 1949, *The Well of Loneliness* is a compelling exploration of sexuality and gender identity.



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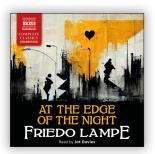
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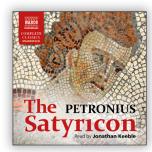
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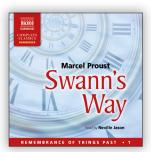
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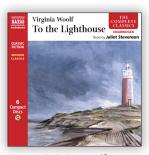
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