



Shades of Emotion

Rosa Li

This book is for sale at <http://leanpub.com/shades-of-emotion>

This version was published on 2014-07-11



This is a [Leanpub](#) book. Leanpub empowers authors and publishers with the Lean Publishing process. [Lean Publishing](#) is the act of publishing an in-progress ebook using lightweight tools and many iterations to get reader feedback, pivot until you have the right book and build traction once you do.

©2014 Rosa Li

Contents

Love In All Its Forms 1

Love In All Its Forms

I've had love in all
its many varied forms

the kind of love that is
fleeting as a fish,

that pokes its funny face
at you for a moment

then flips away before
you can find your breath.

Love like an endless storm
forever churning and turning

a restless yearning in your gut
each kiss a bolt of lightning
frightening as familiarity

a jolt of electric loss
threatening to tear you in half.

Love like some half-sung melody
heartfelt as a wish,

as tragic as a song
that's somehow played wrong

a fugue made for two
now a broken tune.

There's love that clings like seaweed
dragging like a broken leg

or a lumpy log with twisted roots
that jigs and jags and jogs and sways.

Love that is fresh and flawed
as a newborn
waiting for fortune and fame

a love that cradles and rocks you
as you suffer losses along the way.

Love that's stunning like diamonds
fine china or gold

that's precious yet wanting
as it glitters and glows.

And love in its purest form
full of ocean foam and starry-eyed nights

rare as a falling star
plunging from unseen heights.

Yes I've had love
in different shapes and ways

a maelstrom of beauty
a kaleidoscope of pain

love that was blemished
love that was true

but love was always sweetest
and best when shared with you.