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A new and original work from "one of the most accomplished and original writers of our time", Joseph Heller. A Singular Country is J.P. Donleavy's idiosyncratic and personal view of Ireland told in the vernacular of the Irishman, which he has nearly, but not quite, become. "A country where the dead are forever living and which is at once magical, illogical, mysterious and infuriating -- a land that is mostly, and perhaps always will remain, a condition of the mind in which dreams can be your only trusted reality". The New York City-born author assumed the right to speak of his adopted country from his own struggles and early turmoils within its shores and from his "descent on both parental sides from ancient bog-trotters traceable as far back into the centuries as anyone can record or remember". J.P. Donleavy brings to vivid life the range of Ireland's people, from the small farmer to the landed aristocrat, from the Anglo-Irish in their crumbling mansions to the "gombeen-men erecting their emporiums of vulgarity". Priests, politicians, saints, scholars -- none escape his pointed pen. Modern Ireland is unveiled with a mixture of genius and hilarity that only Donleavy can muster. Complemented by the black and white photography of Patrick Prendergast. Author: Donleavy, J.P. Publisher: The Lilliput Press Illustration: N Language: ENG Title: A Singular Country Pages: 00198 (Encrypted EPUB) On Sale: 2011-09-01 SKU-13/ISBN: 9781843512080 Category: Biography & Autobiography : Literary

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