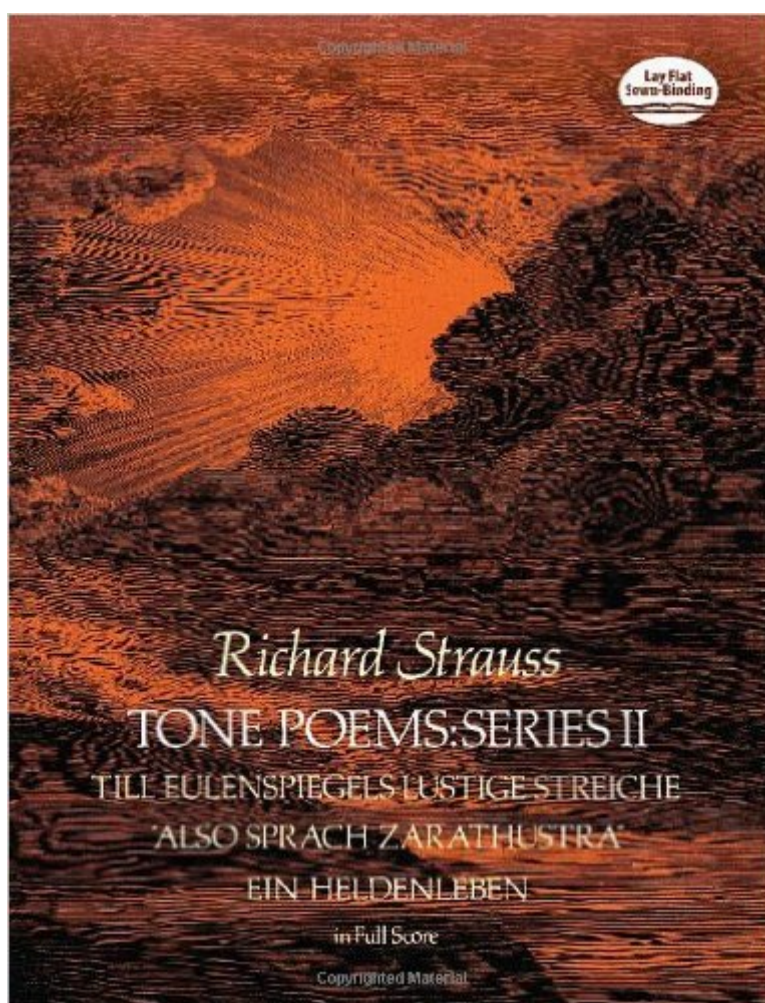


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Got this for my brother who is a young conductor, and he loves it! He says it sits flat when he opens it and that the score is clean and clear. It arrived on time and it is packaged well. What an amazing deal on some great and timeless music!

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