

Edith Wharton



A New York City aristocrat, Edith Wharton wrote poetry and fiction mainly about high society life. Her marriage to a wealthy businessman gave Wharton ample time to devote to writing such well-known novels as *The House of Mirth*, *The Age of Innocence*, and *Ethan Frome*. By age 18 she had already published poems in magazines including the *Atlantic Monthly*.