Season Poem

Gregory and the Hawk

One by one the days fall beside us
Like yellow leaves
We have no conscience
Oh, what we're becoming...
Month by month the rings on our tree trunks
Like old wise eyes
Grow wider
And winter lends them a dead disguise

Now time, like an ocean, knows tide, like a notion To toss about the house and lose inside the couch Piles of our thoughts run miles in the dark Just trying to get home

Age by age We rime with our seasons' rehearsed routines Still turning and returning

Now I'm wide as the ocean

Now I bleed roses

You are just a mark on the map of my past
I am a road
I wind along alone

All day until the coast