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Before you ask me  
to come inside,  
let me show you  
this twilight color  
that paints our skin in silver,  
and makes us want  
to drink the sky,  
and gather the lights  
in the darkened trees,  
and run wild  
through the furrows  
of the wine-soaked earth,  
until we fall  
over your doorstep  
into the smoothness  
of sleep.