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These brief and telling stories of rustic life and love are set in the remote and barren Tras-os-Montes - "over the mountains" - region of North East Portugal. The author speaks of the men and women living there, complex in emotion and thought, and elusive and thrifty with words.

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Czarny Pies says

This is a great set of stories from the 1940s describing the life in rural North-Eastern Portugal. As a group, they are somewhat depressing as everyone lives in poverty and the only prospect for improvement seems to lie in emigrating to the United States or Brazil. All in all these tales seem to be very consistent with what I heard from the Portuguese immigrants as I was growing up in Canada in the 1960s.

Laura says

I really liked this books. Some of the stories are very touching, other are more humouristic and there were a few i didn't enjoy very much. Miguel Torga has a beautiful writing, too :)

Mayta Quix says

I really enjoy the unpretentious lucidity of Torga's storytelling here. Each short stories attempt to capture the lives of people of that region in Portugal, framing each of them as a unique impressionistic depiction. Finishing this book, there's left a touching recollection on me of a collage of faces of the peripheral figures, living in the remote recesses of Portugal, quite forgotten and, well, living...
