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One Hundred Love Sonnets: Cien Sonetos De Amor (English And Spanish Edition)





Synopsis

"The happiness I feel in offering these to you is vast as a savanna," Pablo Neruda wrote his adored wife, Matilde Urrutia de Neruda, in his dedication of One Hundred Love Sonnets. Set against the backdrop of his beloved Isla Negra, these joyfully sensual poems draw on the wind and tides, the white sand with its scattering of delicate wildflowers, and the hot sun and salty scent of the sea to celebrate their love. Generations of lovers since Pablo and Matilde have shared these poems with each other, making One Hundred Love Sonnets one of the most popular books of poetry of all time. This beautifully redesigned volume, perfect for gift-giving, presents both the original Spanish sonnets and graceful English translations.

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"I love you as certain dark things are to be loved, in secret, between the shadow and the soul." ~ Pablo Neruda100 Love Sonnets is a collection of poems lovingly translated by Stephen Topscott who seems to be able to capture the original meaning of the poems impeccably. This was first published in 1960 and expresses the love Pablo Neruda had for his wife, Matilde. It is difficult to read many of these poems only once, they seem to demand to be read twice to understand their full meaning. What appears again and again in these poems is images of the sea, wheat/bread, blood, hair, birds, moon, fruits and fire. Pablo Neruda really connected with nature and expresses his love through these images. Sometimes the stunning intimacy in these poems brings you close to tears. Pablo Neruda had such a complete understanding of what love meant. A few of the poems just

gave me chills. I have never come across another poet who felt as deeply seduced by love as Neruda. However, sometimes he gets a bit dramatic like when he says, "I will die of love because I love you." Well that is how love sometimes feels but it sounds so serious. A few of the poems are a bit erotic in a veiled way. Mostly these poems just make you feel a happy sigh of elation. It was with great pleasure that I read this book, yet another great book of poems by Neruda. One sonnet even made me laugh. ~The Rebecca Review

I could not live without these poems. We also include it with any wedding or anniversary gifts.

Such a wonderful collection of sensual yet thoughtful poetry. I ordered this particular edition since it has the original Spanish on the left page while the English translation is on the right. I've enjoyed comparing the two and the different meanings inherent in the different languages.

Great read. Shipped fast. Nerudas poems are great. I especially enjoyed reading them in both English and Spanish

This is a nice edition. Makes a nice gift for someone you love. Neruda writes such beautiful romantic poems - this collection will speak to anyone who is in love. Having the Spanish and English is great and the translation generally is very good.

Beautiful book full of some of Neruda's most beautiful poems of all time. It's a great size - easy to keep in my purse and not in the way on my coffee table. Great purchase for all Neruda lovers and would be a perfect gift.

Beautiful. Neruda captures the meaning of love in words like no other poet can. A must have for poem lovers.

Wasn't a fan of the entire collection, but that is often the case with a poetry collection or a short story collection. I love Pablo Neruda, and this book is beautiful. Love the fact it has each poem written in spanish on one page, and english on the opposite.

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