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The English Cemetery



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In The English Cemetery, Rafael Torres turns to the grand tours made in their day by romance European travellers, most especially English ones. The book reflects the novelty and exoticism they found in 18th and 19th (and even 20th) century Spain, and tells not only the history of the English Cemetery in Malaga—the first protestant graveyard in Spain—but also the lives of many of the people laid to rest there. These unique pieces form a fascinating mosaic of the foreign colonies in the South of Spain, as well as the temporary residents, writers, fugitives, sailors, castaways, missionaries, expats, tourists, actresses and merchants who came to take their eternal rest in the beautiful cemetery—in fact a botanical garden— that continues to exist by the sea on the side Mount Gibralfaro. What were their lives like? What was the society of their times like?

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The work has received excellent reviews in such media organs as El Mundo, El País and Europa Press. The author has been interviewed in the press and on television and was awarded the Ateneo de Sevilla prize in 2004.

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