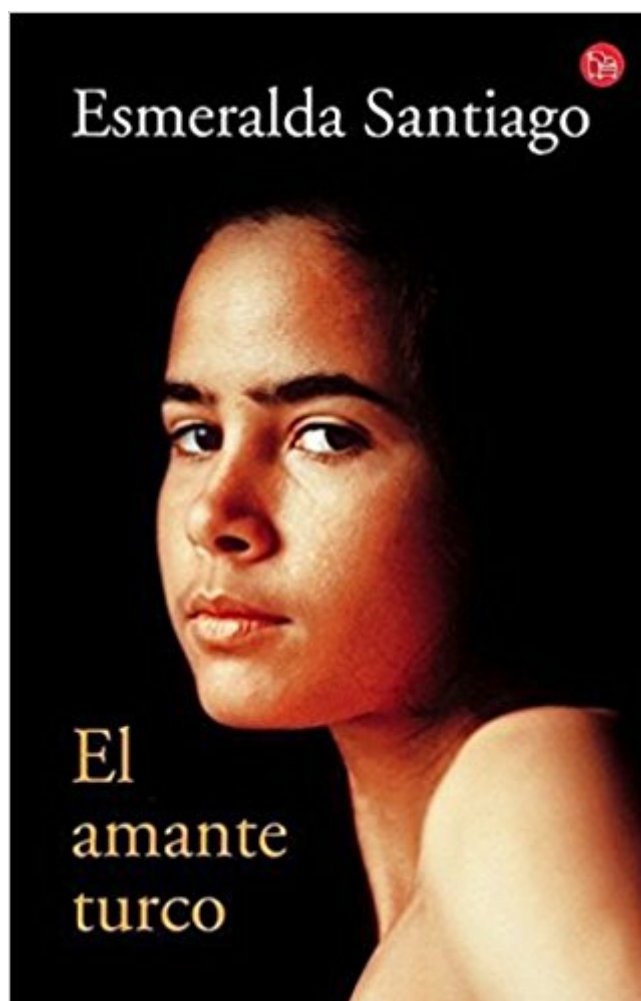


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Synopsis

Junto con Sandra Cisneros y Julia Álvarez, Esmeralda Santiago se ha convertido en una de las más prominentes autoras Latinas de hoy. Una gran cantidad de lectores y fanáticos han estado a la espera por cinco largos años por el siguiente capítulo de la historia comenzada en sus memorias *Cuando era Puertorriqueña* y *Casi una mujer*; ahora la espera ha terminado. En *El amante turco*, Esmeralda finalmente se libera y supera una lucha monumental con su madre para caer bajo la esclavitud de "el turco" y descubrir que la pasión romántica también puede ser una prisión. Su viaje de liberación y descubrimiento personal es atrevido, narrado de una forma sincera, y nos conduce hacia su triunfante graduación de Harvard. El humanismo desenfrenado, el humor, y el valor psicológico que le dieron tanto éxito a sus dos primeras memorias, están una vez más completamente expuestas en *El amante turco*, que satisfacerá al número de lectores fieles y lo aumentará. La suya es una voz fresca, apasionante, y necesaria.

ENGLISH DESCRIPTION In this memoir, we become witness to the transformation of the little Puerto Rican girl who emigrated to New York with her single mother and ten siblings. Esmeralda Santiago finally breaks out of a monumental struggle with her powerful mother, only to come under the thrall of "the Turk" and discover that romantic passion, too, can become a prison. Esmeralda's journey of self-liberation and self-discovery is a daring one, candidly and zestfully recounted, and leads, most improbably, to her triumphant graduation from Harvard. The expansive humanity, earthy humor, and psychological courage that made Esmeralda's first two books so successful are on full display again in *El amante turco*, which will both reward the author's faithful readership and extend it. Hers is a fresh, exciting, and necessary voice. "[A] deftly understated saga of an intense, abusive relationship...Santiago's latest will grow on readers. Her slow self-realization is deeply human."

— Publishers Weekly

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Customer Reviews

This is Esmeralda Santiago's third novel of her series of memoirs. I had completely lost track of Esmeralda's writings until recently I decided to browse her collection and came across *El Amante Turco*. I purchased the novel right away and read it without any expectations or insight to the story. This memoir in my opinion is Esmeralda's best yet and exemplifies the simplicity but yet very elegant writing style that has become a trademark of this Puerto Rican author. The story depicts the struggle of a young lady in a stifling relationship that continuously exemplifies how cultural differences can complicate a relationship. However, I would say this story can be that of any woman. Not only a Latina but anyone can experience male dominance and control in a relationship. Negi, the protagonist ventures out on her own, leaves the comfort zone of her Mom's home to experience life with Ulvi, her Turkish boyfriend/lover not knowing that her life would be limited and stifled by a controlling male who uses her to succeed in his academic career. After enduring much mental and to certain extent physical abuse, with determination, willpower and a strong desire to achieve her goals Negi leaves Ulvi and attains a Master's Degree. *El Amante Turco* is an exemplary story written from the soul of an author who endured the ups and downs that life has to offer. Exceptionally written, well- detailed, a woman's triumph. Highly recommended.

Well I truly enjoy the book and the edition is great. The only problem is that if you carry the book inside a bag the plastic around the cover will peel a little bit); BUT I'M SO HAPPY WITH IT.

Excellent book

A VERY GOOD ONE, JUST AS THE REST OF HER NOVELS. GLAD I GOT IT. I WILL RECOMMEND IT TO EVERYONE.

Good deal!

Esmeralda Santiago is an excellent writer. This one is another page-turner... anyone can relate to this love and following one's dreams experience. You will laugh, cry, get upset and end up with many questions. But in the end will come to appreciate her honesty and why she made the choices she made. I highly recommend this book.

Magnifico... interesante... no me pude despegar de sus paginas hasta que lo termine. Buena narracion. Consagra a Esmeralda como una de las mejores narradoras hispanoamericanas. Nos entrega parte de su vida compartiendo sus secretos y las intimidades de su alma. Ejemplo para toda mujer latinoamericana.

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