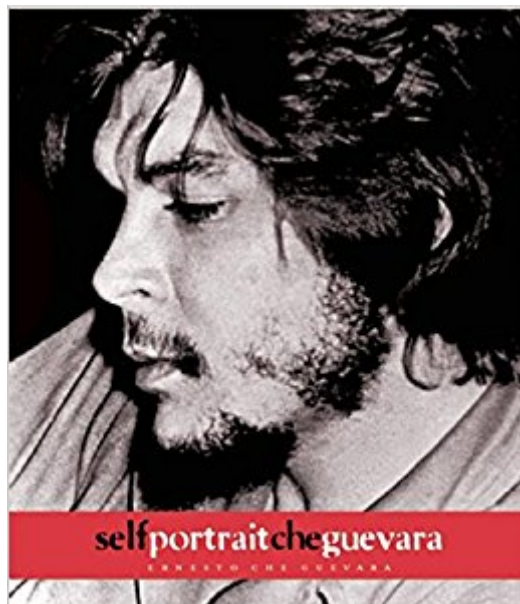


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# Self Portrait Che Guevara



## Synopsis

A PHOTOGRAPHIC AND LITERARY MEMOIR At last, Che in his own words, beyond the icon! Discover the personal side of the legendary Che Guevara in this photographic and literary memoir that includes unpublished short stories, letters and poems written to his family, as well as photos from the Guevara family album, showing a surprisingly sensitive and artistic side to a man often seen as a hard-line revolutionary. Unique among the many books about Che Guevara, this self-portrait reveals his remarkable candor, irony, dry wit, and, above all, his passion. Edited by prominent Latin American poet and intellectual Victor Casaus, with the assistance of Che's children and widow (Aleida March). "Che was the most complete human being of our age." •Jean-Paul Sartre "This beautiful, enlightening volume humanizes Che." •RAIN TAXI

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Che Guevara was the legendary Latin American guerrilla fighter who joined the Cuban revolutionary movement that toppled the Batista dictatorship. He played a leading role in the early years of the Cuban Revolution and made an extraordinary and original contribution to Marxist theory. He died at the hands of CIA assassins in Bolivia in 1967.

Book arrived with damaged cover. Large scratches and a fold in the plasticised cover, the entire length of book. Looked used, not new. Disappointing.

I am enjoying the book very much. Thank you.

beautiful photos of one of the most important people to live in the twentieth century. Che, thank you for your service and example. God bless you.

Filled with personal letters, news reports and other catalogs of the late revolutionary.

This is for those who wish to know what is like inside the heart, soul and mind of this revolutionary man who was driven by above all things; his conscience. Che was a human being who strove to be more than what he was and he sought that level as a lifestyle. Here in this book, you will find that man. This book cuts into the heart and you will learn what this guy was all about...A great read. Very well put together

Guevara tells of his conversion from Ernesto to Che and how those around him treat him. The world is presented an untrue version of an illiterate revolutionary random killer. This book reveals the true Che from the version others want him to be.

If you are tired of the same books on Che Guevara, this is the different book. Formed by texts and images based upon Che's own life it follows mainly the same path of its biographers but in such a beautiful way it made his own daughter Aleyda (who rarely saw him) exclaim: "the photos in this book are so magnificent you feel a desire for kissing him, embracing him and keep talking to him" (she means with his own personal texts based in his own testimony). The selection, prepared on the first hand with the remembrance of a lost love (by his widow) and on the other, by the professional eye of Victor Casaus (a Cuban cinematographer who had been many times a judge on international film competitions) you can follow Dr. Guevara from his childhood, young age, his travels, the Sierra Maestra up to his last days in Bolivia. Sorry, no Christ figure photo (in the words of its own editor). Keep in mind this is a pro-Cuban Government book so you instead will find Fidel, but judge by yourself. My only last opinion is that if this people can produce such a book in a system so full of censorship, I do wonder what they can achieve in liberty!

I purchased Self Portrait because it sounded like a good biography/autobiography of Che Guevara. What the book actually is is a coffee table book, with small excerpts from Che's diaries and letters

and commentary by the editor, Victor Casaus. It seems in some parts of the book that Casaus is more the author and that his words fill the pages more than Guevara's. This book has great photos of Guevara and it decorates my coffee table quite nicely, but if you are looking for a good history of Guevara, look elsewhere.

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