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Pope reviews Goytisolo's major works, including two recent novels, The Virtues of the Solitary Bird and Quarantine. He gives explicit instructions on how to read them, explaining the prominent place of nomadism, mysticism, intertextuality, montage, and fragmentation.

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Get this from a library! Understanding Juan Goytisolo. [Randolph D Pope] -- One of the best-known novelists of his generation both in and outside Spain, Juan Goytisolo has written novels, short stories, and essays that number among the greatest achievements of contemporary.

Everything I created was a result of the civil war. He was living with a Frenchwoman and moving between Paris and his adopted land of Morocco. He is passionate about Islamic culture he speaks Maghrebi Arabic as well as Castilian, Catalan, French, English and Turkish and castigates European insularity from a vantage point across the Gibraltar straits, siding with pariahs and heretics the world over who have been driven out and glory in a treasonous revenge. His keen sense of history comes from his own life. Though growing hard of hearing, he revels in its constant drum beats and human murmur which echo in his courtyard, shaded by orange trees. He is known as austere but has a surprising warmth and an impish humour, punning "Rimbaud" and "Rambo", or laughing at his own incompetence with gadgetry. Young children - the sons of brothers who have worked for him for almost 20 years, play delightedly with a tortoise at his feet. In 28 tales - one for each letter in the Arabic alphabet - it probes the fate of a fictional friend of Lorca, the great Spanish poet and homosexual, held by the fascists in a north African jail as "a red, a queer and a poet". His masterpiece two-volume autobiography in the mids, Forbidden Territory and Realm Of Strife, broke ground in Spanish letters with its introspective sexual and emotional honesty. It traces his life up to the mids, when he ceased to be merely "a writer of my generation" producing conventional, neo-realist novels, and struck out on a path of risk and experimentation. The gay US writer Edmund White says: In a culture that now is evolved and permissive, but was then full of macho uptightness, his autobiography brought a note of total frankness. Homosexuality challenges the exploitation of women and role playing, the silences of personal life. Through his journalism, too, he keeps up an abrasive dialogue with post-Franco Spain. In he was declared persona non grata by the mayor of the south-eastern boom town of El Ejido for denouncing the conditions of African migrant workers, and is proud to be an "honorary Gypsy" for his defence of another embattled community -"still classified as immigrants after five-and-a-half centuries". Goytisolo was born in Barcelona in , the third of four children, of "exemplary bourgeois stock". His Basque-descended father was an executive in a chemical company, and suffered from pleurisy. The family spent the civil war years in a mountain village in Catalonia, but when Juan was seven his Catalan mother, Julia Gay, was killed in a Francoist air raid during a visit to Barcelona. His father, who hated communists, remained loyal to Franco and was imprisoned by Republicans, the family "caught in the crossfire of both sides". After the war, Goytisolo was a "mixture of orphan and street urchin". Goytisolo, who writes in Castilian, the official language of Spain, says: But I was always on the periphery of Castilian; I have the freedom of someone not in the centre. When Goytisolo was about eight, he was sexually molested - "fondled, not raped" - by his maternal grandfather. But in my 20s I assisted in his petty persecution, and it was very cruel. In the end, I felt pity for him. Recently my brother discovered some beautiful poems my aunt wrote in her 20s. But my family never talked about her. Women were also the victims of this family. He studied law in Madrid and Barcelona, and in published his first novel, The Young Assassins, to acclaim. Repelled by anything Spanish until he was in exile, he read European and American literature. But he soon fled a milieu where he felt alien and hamstrung by self-censorship. He moved to Paris in and, as a reader for the publishers Gallimard, became a conduit for writers of the Latin American "boom", including Fuentes, Cabrera Infante and Manuel Puig. His wife-to-be, Monique Lange, was a secretary for a translation agency who later became a novelist. Lange, who died in , had a four-year-old daughter from a previous marriage, Carole whose godfather was William Faulkner. He threw himself behind the Cuban revolution, partly out of guilt at the discovery that his Basque great grandfather had made his fortune from slaves in Cuba. It was the beginning of the revolution, and I visited the village where many of the black and mulatto people had my family name. I even met a Juan Goytisolo. I was right, but it was sacrilege. I found myself banished by Francoists in Spain and attacked by the Communist party in exile. But Jean Genet was his mentor - "moral more than literary". He says of the playwright who could fit all his belongings in a suitcase:

Because of him, I discovered I was interested in literature, not in literary life. I try to take my work seriously but not myself. He represented absolute freedom from middle-class morality and total integrity in art. I tried to learn Arabic. He and Lange were active supporters of the Algerian independence movement, the FLN, and protested against crackdowns on north Africans in Paris during the Algerian war of I love only Monique; I never fell in love with anyone else. It was resolved in by a moving letter he wrote to Lange included in his autobiography, in which he confessed to being "totally, definitively, irrevocably homosexual". Her response came in a telegram: I still love you. But we kept together in a beautiful relationship. She knew there was no possible rivalry between the men I went with and her. I think she was sad, but she took a strong moral position: It was very difficult. We tried to live without lies. However, from his point of view, "it was always with humour and generosity". In , Lange had a health scare, and they decided to get married. For Goytisolo, the dawn of sexual openness at 34 was a "rebirth". He disowns his previous eight books. Marks Of Identity, together with Count Julian and Juan The Landless, formed a trilogy that shocked with its celebration of years of Moorish Spain and hybrid culture. Count Julian was once described as a "poison pen letter to Spanish society", because it sent up the Catholic cult of virginity. The book was conceived in Tangier and reveals the subconscious Spanish terror of the Moor. I felt completely foreign to my country. I imagined the destruction of Spanish mythology, its Catholicism and nationalism, in a literary attack on traditional Spain. I identified myself with the great traitor who opened the door to Arab invasion. I discovered that the Franco dictatorship was the result of a long tradition that began in the middle ages. I compensate by trying to live inside Spanish culture. Everything I wrote after Count Julian was a dialogue with Spanish literature. I know many writers who want disciples, imitators. For him, the Spanish canon has been "brutally savaged" by persistent taboos, such as refusing to admit that Cervantes might have been a "new Christian" - a Jewish convert during the Inquisition. Don Quixote combined the western and Arabic traditions. He despairs of post-Franco Spain - as newly rich, newly free and newly European. The problem is the incapacity to embrace the richness it contains. I realised that to have two languages and cultures is better than one; three better than two. You should always add, not subtract. For him, an "urban animal", the "Babelisation of great capitals" is a sign of modernity. In The Virtues Of The Solitary Bird, the terror of Aids merges with a wider fear of contamination - to "not being of pure blood, pure Christian; being infected by a foreign or alien ideology". In a lecture in Oxford, entitled "We are all Bosnians", he called for intervention. Where, he asked, were the Hemingways and Orwells to defend secular citizenship - "the most important part of the French revolution? I was convinced that after the second world war and the Holocaust some things were impossible in Europe. But I discovered in Yugoslavia that my conviction was wrong; everything is possible. For her it was wonderful, there was no pain. It was very difficult for me to get used to living in Paris without her; I got depressed. My apartment became a kind of tomb. Scornful of the "educated but uncultured" Moroccan bourgeoisie who look down on the low-life spinning fabulous tales on the square, he gleams with uncondescending pleasure at the paradox: Juan Goytisolo will be at the Edinburgh book festival on Saturday August 26 at 3.

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