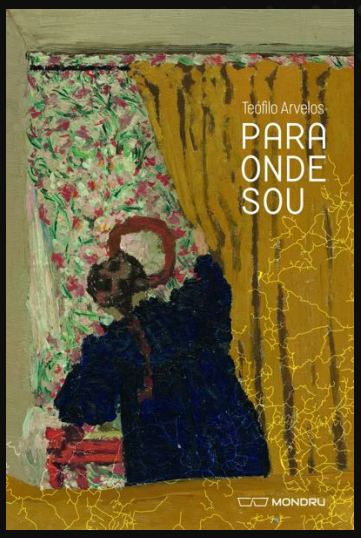
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SYNOPSIS

In "Where I Am From", author Teófilo Arvelos weaves a profound poetic and autobiographical reflection on identity, belonging, and the roots that inhabit us. Guided by the emotional compass of the locality of Boa Vista—an affective space that transcends mere geography to become the narrator's very essence—, the book invites the reader into a sensitive immersion in the simplicity and bittersweet beauty of rural life. Through intimate memories involving family wisdom, respect for animals, and the latent force of the cerrado's nature, the texts explore the melancholic contrast between departures for major urban centers and our own "internal migrations." Above all, the work is a celebration of memory, revealing that, no matter how far life takes us, our true origin never abandons us, traveling and persisting alongside us wherever we go.

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