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# Tocino Del Cielo (Spanish Edition)



## Synopsis

Una novela que aporta detalles poco conocidos sobre las migraciones de cubanos a Miami, quienes al mantener su identidad en el exilio contribuyeron al desarrollo de la televisión en español en Estados Unidos y preservaron la esencia de la cocina cubana. En un saludable ejercicio de memoria, Rosa María Britton recupera el testimonio de los ciudadanos comunes que no figuran en la historia oficial. *Tocino del cielo* entrelaza dos historias. En la primera de ellas, nos encontramos con Pedro Alonso, un asturiano que llega a La Habana a comienzos del siglo XX para trabajar en la tienda de su tío. Con un carácter perseverante, ahorra para regresar a su pueblo de origen, a la par que construye una nueva vida en su país de adopción, en el que experimenta las convulsiones políticas y sociales desatadas por la sucesión de dictaduras y cambios en el gobierno de Cuba. Cuando triunfa la revolución, en 1959, todo parece indicar que la historia dará un nuevo giro. Paralelamente, conocemos a Belén, una humilde cocinera de raza negra que resguarda la esencia de los platos y postres tradicionales, una de las herencias cruciales de su cultura, que se ve amenazada cuando el gobierno revolucionario impone el racionamiento alimenticio. En medio de estas circunstancias adversas, ella deberá luchar por seguir dando vida a este legado. A través de estas páginas, el lector encontrará una recreación íntima y apasionante de la migración, sus vicisitudes y el coraje necesario para sobreponerse a ella. También un retrato de fenómenos como el nacimiento de las telecomunicaciones en la isla y el importante impacto cultural que los migrantes aportaron a países como México, Venezuela, Puerto Rico y Estados Unidos. Su autora, una de las principales voces de la literatura centroamericana, logra reconstruir de manera conmovedora las travesías de aquellos que deben dejar atrás su tierra natal para construir sus nuevas raíces.

ENGLISH DESCRIPTION A novel that provides little-known details about the movement of Cubans to Miami, who, by maintaining their identity even in exile, contributed to the development of television in Spanish in the United States and preserved the essence of Cuban cuisine. *Sweet from Heaven* interweaves two stories. In the first, we meet Pedro Alonso, an Asturian who arrives to Havana at the beginning of the 20th century to work in his uncle's shop. With his steadfast personality, he saves to return to his home town while still building a new life in his adoptive country, in which he experiences the political and social unrest unleashed by the series of dictatorships and changes in Cuba's government. When the Revolution is successful in 1959, all signs indicate that the story will take a new twist. Meanwhile, we meet Belén, a humble black cook who protects the essence of the traditional Cuban dishes and desserts, one of the crucial legacies of her culture, which is threatened when the revolutionary government imposes food rationing. In the middle of these adverse circumstances, she must fight to

keep giving life to this heritage.

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