

Sodadi nha rubera

1. Homesickness

Brother I miss my homeland I miss my dwelling place and my childhood They said there are no more straw-tatched houses in Tchadinha Now there is Shanghai down near Tchada Cabo Verde is doing fine even the peas have to ask to be eaten Yes, yes, that's what I heard They said that blessings and "hello" are out of fashion The huts have become apartament blocks Greetings has lost it's meaning and brotherhood and bambu beds

Badiu/Mandjacu

2. Badiu / Mandjacu

Have left for the countryside that's what I heard

In Sotavento they call me Mandjacu In Barlavento they call me Badiu I look at them and I start to think Unfriendly faces stare at me Strangers point their fingers at me If the father above looks down He may see the world is going askew







Bom dia Cabo Verde

3. Good morning Cabo Verde

Good morning Cabo Verde
Good morning my godmother
Good morning my godfather.
Close friend of my stepmother
Hello my sisters and my brothers
Good morning my friends in Guine Bissau
Our God give us luck and health
Water for levada
Grass for animals
Even dry will do
From Santo Antao until Brava let it be green
Hello my sisters and my brothers
Our mothers and fathers in Sao Tome
They left they never arrived they never settled down
they never found their way back home
Now they are in Angola







Rua di Lisboa

4. Streets of Lisbon

Streets of Lisbon are filled with mystery
There is melancholy mixed with happiness
Streets of Lisbon are like a rainbow
There is nostalgia perhaps some magic too
There in Lisbon there are people from my country
And people from all around the world
In streets of Lisbon
Everyone with their own shades of happiness or sorrow
Everyone with their own dreams everyone with their own story
Some colourful some already faded away.

Convivencia www.com

5. Companionship

Real friendship is a rare case A precious thing like gold

A precious thing like oil

Real friendship is a clear thing in darkness

Comradeship is gone - Companionship www.com Don't knock on the door send condolences from a far

Material is conquering mankind and enslaving minds

Hi brother, it's not true - me and my friends only death can separate us







Tradison/Contradison

6. Superstitions and Traditions

Mischievious climbs a mangotree Mischieviousness breaks a finger Tamarind gives a stomach ache And witchdoctor says it's Manuzinho Manuzinhu carpenter died renowned as a witch If a I knew mother feels dizzy a chicken begins clucking A cat jumps on the table they say it's nha Dondinha A little Dondinha they gave her a name and imagined her with a tail If pregnant woman crush a stone under her foot Or a drunk falls off his donkey creed cross Ave Maria Let's visit nha Manhanha Nha Manhanha from Pilon Can Will wash us with cactus water I was born in calheta and crawled in Tchadinha I been around, I've been thinking about the world The world is a square ball full of confusion full of superstition Tali Patali cries crodile tears and claims he saw a spirit





Tchoneta jumps and screams that spirit pinched his arse



Nos biografia

7. Our story

Our original story must be sung in plural
There are temptations and curses
Some have a little luck some are fated to be sinners
Some rise to the north some sink to the south
If tiredness was a fortune there would be a rich
In every corner of our country
Palu nha Lela says let me go to my country
But rather than sleep in a barrack I would sleep in a hut
It was a Caravell it was a sailing boat
That brought chain and cross and Jesus child

Badjuda

8. My weakness

I really had a weakness for you
I let my bucket of water fall down
Only to follow you for me to see you
And you to see me
I left a pan on the fire the whip waits for me
I run to see you
Your stepmother is selling from door to door
Kept you locked at home, kept the key in her bra
She tells you that I'm a child of unmarried parents









Ca diziludin

9. Don't wreck my ilusion

Next year if God will help me I would like to go to Cabo Verde To see my people To cure my homesickness And sooth my anxiety The news I've heard Satisfy me Makes me happy So please don't disturb me Don't wreck my illusion I don't have anything But Cabo Verde on my mind I don't have a home there But i come from there Nobody thinks i'm a stranger I don't have anything But Cabo Verde in my embrace









Sucundida

10. Hide'n seek

I dreamt of Pregu nha Zuga
Zeca di Nita and Torino
That we were once again in Cobon di Xetu
Near Bianinas suddenly we wanted to go Ponta Txitxaru
To play hide'n seek hiding and waiting to spy on Maruzinha
Mémé Cadória saw and ran behind us we run to Pé di Munti
Crept in to an old van, we run to Pé di Munti
Oh-oh it was the time when pancakes cost two cents
And we dreamt we had oil near Ponta Belem
While we were waiting for a boat from Cabinda
To bring maize and manioc flour
Avé, that was the time we were afraid of God







Cumbosa

11. Cumbosa

Stop misstreating a child It's not a childs fault if he calls the father as uncle It's not a childs fault if he calls the uncle as father The child didn't see and wasn't there You and they must know who is who Leave the child in peace You can pray and take communion But God you can not misslead

Lilin

12. Lilin

Lilin saw me in Holland
He pretended he didn't know me
I greeted him he didn't answer
He just turned away and left
As youngsters we kicked clothball
and we chased caterpillars
Whilst our elders went to Muntagara
To wash ten tubs for ten coins
We youngsters blew the same bowl
Our elders were telling stories
Stories of aid, assistance, and surviving
Stories of resistance in Pindjiguiti



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Terra di guinti

13. Land of others

I walked in the land of others I grew up in the land of others
I saw time passing by in the land of others
Other people's land is my land
If I go to Bissau, from Bissalanca until Tchada Burro, everybody knows me
if I go from country side to town everywhere we say hello
They say Patalino you are one of us, you are a son of Guiné
You are our brother, you are son of our country
Look how confusion is destroying our land
Our people are separated because of war
Houses have burned
Fields mined and we can't do anything

Damaia

14 Damaia

If I go to Portugal I have to go to Damaia
They say not to go but I have to go
To be in Portugal without going to Damaia
If I leave Portela without being in Damaia
My heart will cry
There is hurt trouble and misery in Damaia
Unlucky one are lost there
Since the time of the mines in Panasquera







Kwanza

15. Kwanza

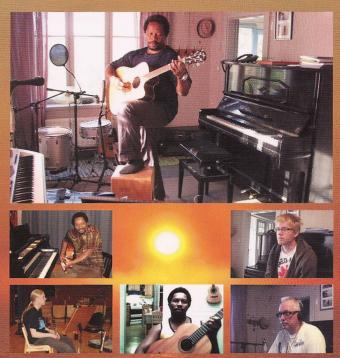
Kwanza horn sounds There is screaming in port The living are crying for living A bad sign Separation to southern (Plantation) Those who Kwanza takes Will stay in ecuatorial Kwanza casts a shadow on all Praia Negra It's time to take the body and leave the soul behind Those that Kwanza carries Become truncs of banana trees Kwanza horn sounds A mariner is giving a sign Crying starts From prow till hold Those who left with Kwanza





Left their spirits behind





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