



## A Hard Land

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Purple Moon Press, United States, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 216 x 140 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. Saudades. A beautiful Brazilian word. We don't really have a perfect equivalent in English. The word itself shows so much of the intensity of Brazilian culture - a culture where emotion is not stifled but free to be felt and expressed. Saudades. The best way to describe it is longing for, or missing someone. But this does not really do justice to this word. It is that ache in your heart, that feeling of having lost a limb, when you wish so dearly you could be with a loved one. It is the loneliness, the emptiness. It is that lack of ability to take a full breath. Saudades. This is the pain I feel right now. Saudades. saudades, saudades. The word reverberates through my entire being. No amount of yoga is helping me to breathe today. I am so, so sad. So begins the saga of Maddy Saunders and a journey that moves through the beautiful yet harsh Brazilian countryside. Maddy leaves her comfortable academic life in Canada to venture to Brazil to help set...



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