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Review

"*The Wild Geese* is a spare, yet intricate, read. The narrative moves quickly, and the characters are developed in a way that successfully reveals their passiveness and internal weaknesses. It is a good book that clearly has paved the path for later writers, and for those seeking the early inspiration for the great Japanese Masters that filled the 20th Century, Ogai Mori is not a writer to overlook." —*BlogCritics.com*

About the Author

Ogai Mori (1862-1922) stands in the foremost rank of modern Japanese novelists. His professional success as an army surgeon was outstripped by his even more brilliant ascent in the literary world of the Meiji and Taisho eras. His work is characterized by a strong humanistic element, a romantic quality effectively tempered by realism, and a lucid style that often rises to lyric intensity as in the closing passages of *The Wild Geese*. Written in 1913, *The Wild Geese* enjoyed such success in Japan that it was made into a film, shown abroad as *The Mistress*.

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