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A Brazilian proverb states Those who leave will take longing on their journeys. However translating saudade with longing doesn't do the term justice. Olaf Heine's photographs convey impressions that are hard to put into words. Since 2010, the renowned portrait and fashion photographer has captured the soul of Brazil. Presenting the land of Carnival and Copacabana in black-and-white, is not at all paradoxical as it might perhaps seem at first. Heine's photographs are as deeply melancholic as they are sensual. With a keen sense for shapes and textures he also exemplifies the words of the legendary architect Oscar Niemeyer: The whole universe is made of curves. These curves appear in architecture, in human bodies and also permeate the Brazilian lifestyle. From the intensity of its passions to the lightness of its shapes Olaf Heine portrays a fascinating country in all its diversity and beauty.

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