



Three components of the DNA of a nation

The colonial fortifications materialize our history. A C Freddo

On many occasions, our colonizers earned respect and, in some cases, imposed their will without needing to resort to the use of force with the expected intensity, in confrontations with the local inhabitants, corsairs, pirates, and neighbors of Hispanic origin. More serious battles took place against the Dutch, in the Brazilian Northeast, and even these pale into insignificance when compared with the great battles involving the English, the French and the Spanish, in locations at the North of the imaginary line of Equator.

. In other words: Portugal, despite the enormous distances to be travelled to reach these tropical shores and the backlands of our continental country, have treated us to several cultural components of the DNA of a nation, of which two are extreme and inseparable, one tangible (forts) and the intangible (language).