

The Country on the North-side of the River *de la Plata* is of great extent, Inhabited by none but Savages, call'd *Charuas*; most of the little Islands that lie all along the River, and the Shore sides are cover'd with Woods full of Wild Boars. From *Cape de Castillos* up to *Rio Negro*, as well as from the same *Cape* to *San Paulo* bordering upon *Brazil*; the Coasts are uninhabited, tho' the Country, especially along the River seems to be very good, having little Rivulets running down from the Hills thro' the Plains. The *Spaniards* settled first there, but afterwards remov'd to *Buenos Ayres*, because 'twas troublesom to cross over the great *Parana* to go to *Peru*.

I went ashore frequently beyond *Rio Negro*, but never farther than Three quarters of a League into the Land, there are but few Savages to be seen, and they have their Habitations a good way up in the Country; those I met with were well made, with long Hair and very little Beard; they wear nothing but a great Skin, made of little ones patch'd together, that hangs down to their heels, and a piece of Leather under their Feet, ty'd with Straps about their Ankles. For Ornament they bind a Fillet of some Stuff