

Last days at Tor House - Inglenook (Dark Mountain)

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<https://michaelgregoryaz.net/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Finding-passion-alone-22jan18.pdf>

Among the poets who have had a strong influence on my writing, few have had more than Robinson Jeffers and none more influence on my life.

This powerful Dark Mountain piece by Neale Inglenook brings back not only my own visits to Carmel and Tor House, but the nostalgia, even pathos, of my formative California life, first as a pubertal adolescent in early 50s Pacific Beach, then later as a young not-quite adult up and down the Pacific coast from Oaxaca to British Columbia not just looking for but palpably knowing the natural wonder, freedom, beauty and love the land and Jeffers' words and vision inspired in me as they have in many others.

Along with Inglenook's memoir, I am including here links to one of my favorite Jeffers poems and, below, to a pdf of one of my own pieces, a tribute from a book manuscript currently looking for a publisher.