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Spain, a land of jeweled Moorish palaces, sun-drenched beaches, terraced vineyards, sleepy fishing villages, primeval corridas (bullfights) and sensuous flamenco has become the sophisticated playground of Europe, and a premier destination of art, music and literature lovers. The vitality and excitement of today's Spain have made it popular worldwide.

Spanish cultural life has been reinvigorated, particularly in the years since the death of General Franco. The performing arts, once restricted by lack of facilities, have received major investments including new venues, regional arts centers and new symphony orchestras. The country has produced many remarkable opera singers, including Montserrat Caballé, Alfredo Kraus, Plácido Domingo and José Carreras. Spain now boasts some of the world's greatest opera houses and concert halls.

Spain's music is the embodiment of rich cultural influences from church (Gregorian plainchant reached its pinnacle in Spain), Moorish culture, and Spain's diverse groups such as Catalans, Basques, Galleggos in the northeast to the quintessentially Spanish in Castile or Andalusia. Composers like Manuel de Falla, Isaac Albeniz, Fernando Sor, Tomás Luis de Victoria, Gabriel Balart, Oscar Espla and others have left their definite mark on the world canon of music literature.

"Our Spain Tour was wonderful!! The tour was quite smooth overall – and our final concert in Granada was the perfect way to end! We had a full house there, around 400 people in the audience! It was amazing. Thanks to everyone at Music Celebrations International (MCI) for helping to make it another very successful experience!"

Dr. Dwight Bigler, Director Virginia Tech University Choir







The MCI Difference

Music Celebrations International (MCI) provides customized tours (stateside & abroad), festivals, collaborations, world-class clinicians, premier venues, and so many exciting possibilities to explore for your ensemble!

Partnering with MCI will provide you and your ensemble with:

- 30+ years of experience
- The best trained and most knowledgeable staff in the industry who have produced over 2,000 concert tours to Europe
- Dedicated Concert Managers who coordinate all the venues and promotion so you can focus on the music!
- Offices and personnel throughout Europe
- Staff comprised of musicians, music educators, and travel industry experts

"Our most recent tour to Spain and southern France is by far one of the best tour experiences I've ever had with an ensemble. The MCI and European staff that greeted us were extremely knowledgeable and professional as well as incredibly helpful in every circumstance. I couldn't have asked for a better tour experience for our singers and instrumentalists. Thanks again for making this trip a memory that will last a lifetime!"

Dr. James Ramsey, Director of Music St. Luke's United Methodist Church

"First of all, we were delighted by the huge crowds at all our venues. They were at least double the amount of people that we could have wished for in our wildest dreams. We are very grateful to Music Celebrations for providing us with a great experience and you will definitely be our first choice the next time we are considering a concert tour."

Dr. Rodney Wynkoop, Director Duke University Chapel Choir









## sample performance itineraries in Spain



**Tour 1 - 5 Nights / 7 Days** 5 nights in Barcelona with excursions to Montserrat, Tarragona, and Salou



Tour 4 - 7 Nights / 9 Days 3 nights in Barcelona, 2 nights in Valencia, 2 nights in Madrid



Tour 2 - 6 Nights / 8 Days 6 nights in Madrid with excursions to Aranjuez, Toledo, El Escorial, Avila, and Segovia



Tour 5 - 8 Nights / 10 Days
3 nights in Barcelona, 3 nights in Arles,
2 nights in Aix-en-Provence



**Tour 3 - 7 Nights / 9 Days** 2 nights in Toledo, 2 nights in Seville, 1 night in Granada, 2 nights in Madrid

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Contact one of our trained and experienced Tour Consultants to explore itinerary ideas and cost estimates.

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