

# Kingdom of Spain



The origins of the Roman name Hispania, from which the modern name España was derived, are uncertain and are possibly unknown due to the inadequate evidence. Hispania may derive from the poetic use of the term Hesperia, reflecting the Greek perception of Italy as a "western land" or "land of the setting sun" (Hesperia, Ἑσπερία in Greek) and Spain, being still further west, as Hesperia ultima



Altamira Cave paintings, in Cantabria

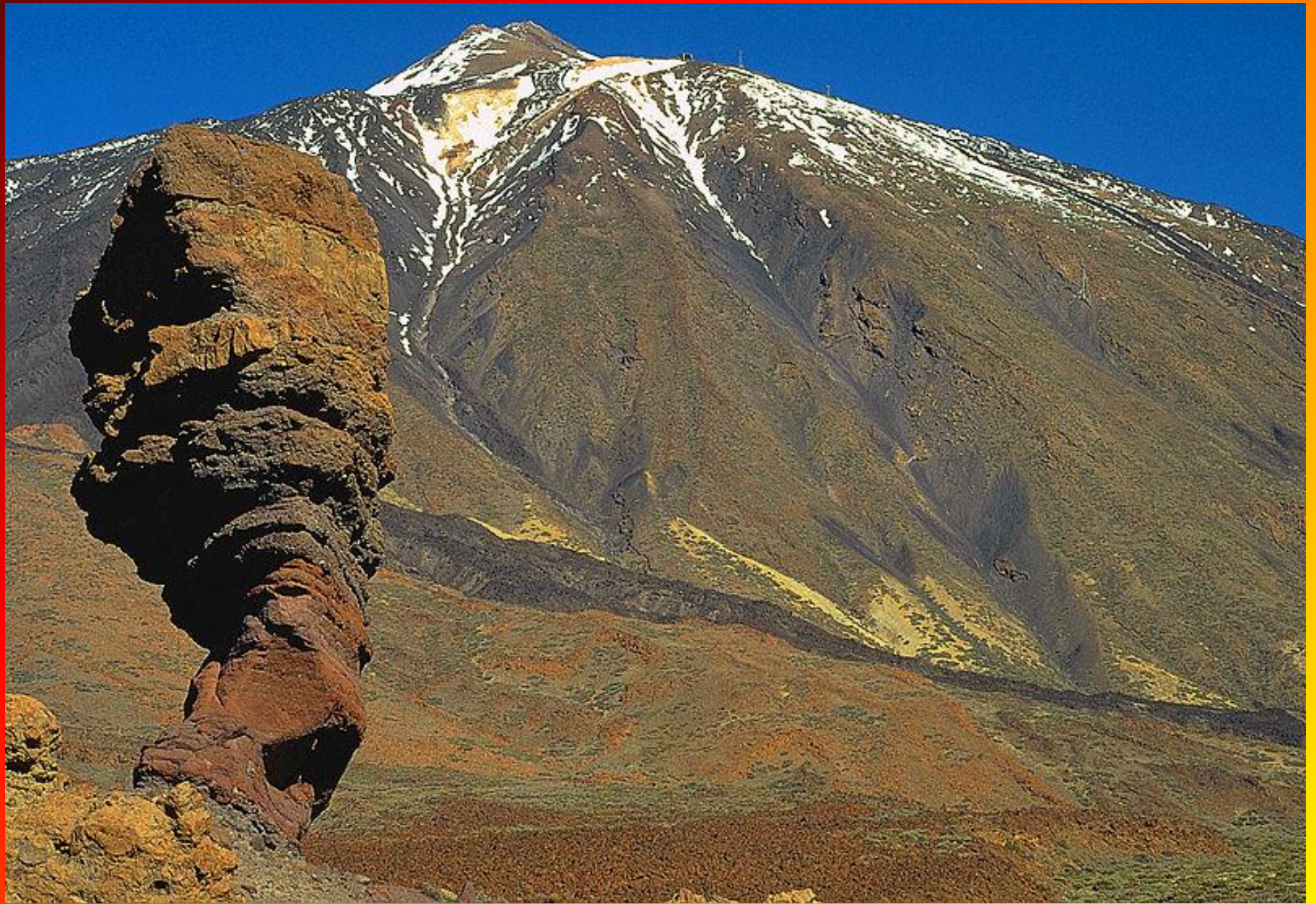






Royal Palace and Santa María la Real de La Almudena





Mt. Teide, Tenerife, Canary Islands, is Spain's tallest mountain





Sant Maurici National Park in the Pyrenees.





HM Juan Carlos I King of Spain and HM Queen Sofía of Spain.



Mariano Rajoy, Prime minister









Marbella, Málaga, where Britons —who are the third immigrant community in Spain— reside in large numbers.



Palma de Mallorca where an important population of Germans live.



Santiago de Compostela Cathedral, A Coruña;  
terminus of the Way of St. James



Sagrada Família of Antoni Gaudí, Barcelona.





Flamenco is an Andalusian artistic form that evolved from the Seguidilla







Antonio Banderas



Penélope Cruz



Javier Bardem





Julio Iglesias



Montserrat Caballé



Enrique Iglesias







# Ciutat de les Arts i les Ciències, València





The City of Arts and Sciences is an entertainment-based cultural and architectural complex in the city of Valencia, Spain. It is the most important modern tourist destination in the city of Valencia.

Designed by Santiago Calatrava and Félix Candela, the project underwent the first stages of construction in July 1996 and the finished "city" was inaugurated April 16, 1998 with the opening of L'Hemisfèric. The last great component of the City of Arts and Sciences, El Palau de les Arts Reina Sofia, was presented on October 9, 2005, Valencian Community Day.



L'Hemisfèric





L'Oceanogràfic

El Museu de les Ciències Príncipe Felipe









Bronze statues of Don Quixote and Sancho Panza, at the Plaza de España in Madrid



The modern classical guitar  
and its baroque predecessor  
originated in Spain





# San Fermín

## Running of the Bulls (encierro)







Monument in Pamplona

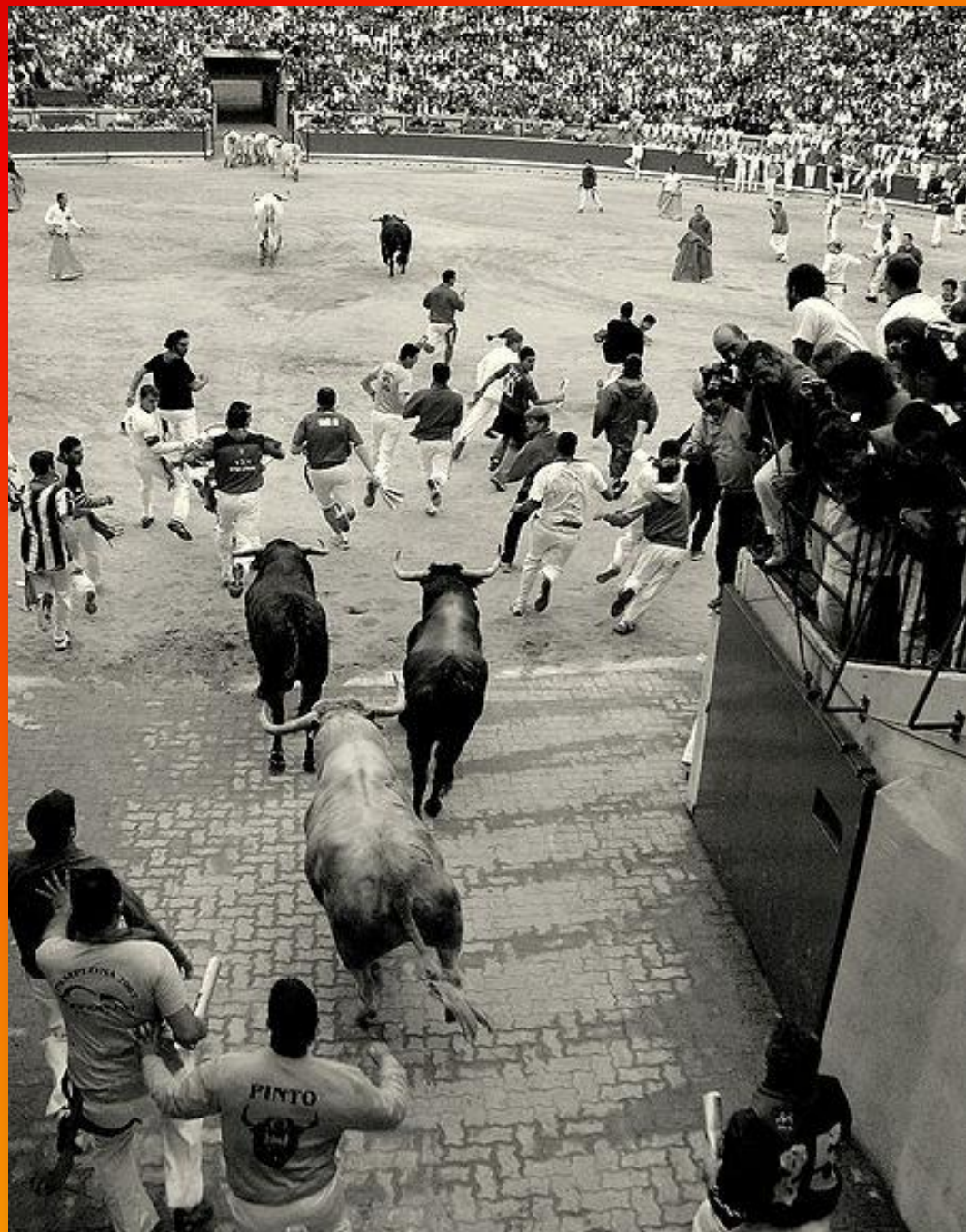


Pamplona, 7 July 2005. People climb to the fences as the bulls run by and cross the Town Hall Plaza





Pamplona, 2007. Bulls following some runners enter the bull ring, where the event ends. The bulls can be seen in the foreground and background of the picture.







Fire bull and children running from it.



# La Tomatina



La Tomatina is a festival that is held in the Valencian town of Buñol, a town located 30 km from the Mediterranean, in which participants throw tomatoes and get involved in this tomato fight purely for fun. It is held on the last Wednesday of August, during the week of festivities of Buñol.



And



# My photos in Spain







Teruel









Teruel



Albaracín









Vilanova D'Alcolea, San Antoni





Castellon de la Plana





Valencia Airport





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for your attention  
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