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## Composer

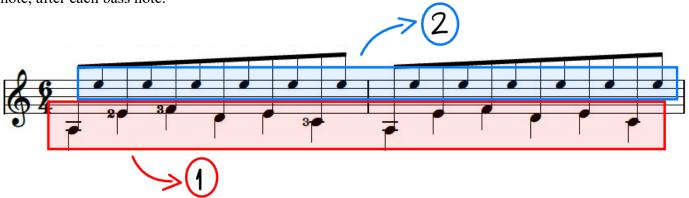


Isaac Albéniz (1860–1909) was one of the central composers who combined Spanish music with the aesthetics of the late Romantic and early Modern periods, holding a particularly important place in the piano repertoire. He was recognized as a virtuoso pianist at a very young age, studied at major musical centers across Europe, and spent the mature period of his compositional life in France. His music is characterized by flamenco rhythms, Phrygian-oriented modal structures, guitar-like figurations, and a rich harmonic language. Albéniz is distinguished by his treatment of Spanish folk elements not as surface color, but as part of an advanced art music language. Albéniz's masterpiece, Iberia, is considered among the most technically and musically demanding and innovative works in the piano literature, and it has strong connections to the impressionist world of Debussy and Ravel.

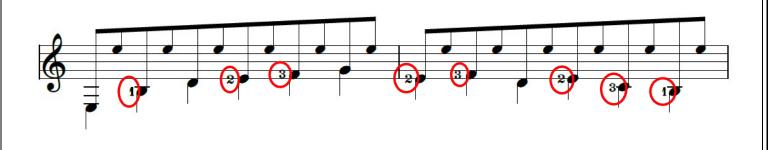
Many of his works, especially Asturias (Leyenda) from the Suite Española, have entered the core classical guitar repertoire through arrangements for the instrument. Deeply influential on composers such as Manuel de Falla and Enrique Granados, Albéniz carried Spanish music beyond local boundaries and secured it a lasting place in the international concert repertoire.

## **Tips & Tricks**

• First, practice the melody on the bass strings using only the p finger. Then add the accompaniment notes, Mi note, after each bass note:



• Pay attention to the left-hand finger numbers to play comfortably:











## **Asturias**

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