



## Biography

**Juan Cortés Rafael Santiago** was born in Sabadell (Barcelona) in 1965. He is the son of nomadic farmers, wherefore his devotion to singing comes from his ancestors. At the age of seven, he stood upon a stage for the first time, accompanied by another boy who would later be famous, [Juan Manuel Cañizares](#). At the age of eight, he became frenzied when [Camarón](#) took him onstage in Badalona and played the guitar with him.

This was his artistic recognition and the launch of his career as **Duquende**, who has always confessed to be "[camaronero](#)" to the bone. He took part in the film "**Flamenco**" by Carlos Saura.

In 1996, he became the first invited singer to give a concert at Théâtre des Champs Élysées, where he performs regularly. In 1997, he joined the sextet of [Paco de Lucía](#), with whom he achieved his greatest achievements to date. He worked in other projects such as "Qawwali Jondo", alongside the Pakistani singer Faiz Ali Faiz.

Several of the albums he recorded include "**Samaruco**", produced by [Isidro Sanlúcar](#) and "**Rompecabezas**", produced by [Pepe de Lucía](#), with the collaboration of great flamenco guitarists like [Paco de Lucía](#), [Juan Manuel Cañizares](#), [Tomatito](#), [Moraíto hijo](#), [Niño Josele](#), [Niño de Pura](#), Enrique Abellán and Raimundo Amador.

## Discography

1988 Soy El Duende / Fuego, Primo Fuego (7", Single) Jercar S-502  
1989 A mi Aire – El Duquende (Cass) Éditions Fonográficas Jercar 66.007  
1990 Navegando por el Tiempo ; El Duquende avec...-Manzanita (Cass) Jercar, Jazmín 77.001, D.L. B 38601-1990  
1993 El Duquende avec... Manzanita ; Nouveau flamenco (CD-DA), E.F. Jercar CD-10022, D.L. B 10713-1993  
1993 Duquende y la Guitarra de Tomatito (Cass, Album) Nuevos Medios 14636-C  
1993 Duquende y la Guitarra de Tomatito (CD, Album) Nuevos Medios 15 636 CD  
1994 El Duquende por Bulerías (Cass) Jercar Jec 174  
1997 Duquende con Manzanita (CD, Album, Cass) Divucsa 32-468, Digital Match Sound : 8-2052  
1997 Soy El Duende (CD) DIVUCSA 32-466  
1997 A mi Aire – El Duquende (CD, Cass) Divucsa : 22-467  
1997 Será tu Cara (Cass) Divucsa, Digital Match Sound : 8-2044, D.L. B 12664-1997  
2000 Samaruco (CD, Album) Polydor 07314 543908 2 8  
2001 El Potito & Duquende - Camarón en el Sentío (CD, Comp) Altaya  
2005 Éxitos Duquende (CD-DA) Nhoa Music CD NHOA 546  
2006 Mi Forma De Vivir (CD, Album) K Industria K059CD, DUCDS01 ; D.L. B 8022-2006  
2007 Live In Cirque D'Hiver Paris (CD, Album) Flamenco Records FR001CD  
2008 Samaruco (CD, Comp, Ltd, Boo) Universal Music Group, El País 9788498159486  
2012 Rompecabezas (CD, Album) Universal 0602537193974  
2013 Faiz Ali Faiz, Duquende, Miguel Poveda, Chicuelo - Qawwali Flamenco (2xCD) Accords Croisés AC 114 15

Collaborations with other artists :

1995 avec [Vicente Amigo](#) dans « Vivencias imaginadas »  
1996 avec Juan Carmona dans « Borboreo » (CD), L'Empreinte Digitale ED 13055  
1998 avec [Paco de Lucía](#) dans « Luzia »  
2000 avec Juan Carmona dans « Caminos nuevos » (CD), L'Empreinte Digitale ED 13120  
2000 avec [Juan Gómez "Chicuelo"](#) dans « Cómplices », Harmonia Mundi HME 987024  
2007 avec Jabier Muguruza dans « Konplizeak »  
2011 avec [Paco de Lucía](#) dans « En Vivo »

## Press

**Ina.fr (FR)**

<http://www.ina.fr/video/I14070315>

**20 minutos (SP)**

<https://www.20minutos.es/noticia/42858/0/ivam/duquende/valencia/>

**Le Parisien (FR)**

<http://www.leparisien.fr/seine-et-marne/duquende-totalement-flamenco-09-02-2002-2002804000.php>

**Sorb'on (FR)**

<https://sorb-on.fr/2018/03/03/duquende-et-flamenco-a-linstitut-du-monde-arabe/>

**Télérama (FR)**

<https://sortir.telerama.fr/concerts/duquende,179185.php>

<https://www.telerama.fr/musiques/traveller,74107.php>

<https://www.telerama.fr/musiques/mi-forma-de-vivi,16494.php>

**Norient (DE)**

<https://norient.com/stories/flamenco-auf-fernreise/>

**Deflamenco (SP)**

<https://www.deflamenco.com/revista/cante/duquende1-3.html>

**Flamencoweb (FR)**

<http://www.flamencoweb.fr/spip/spip.php?article679>

**Libération (FR)**

[http://next.liberation.fr/culture/2006/04/28/duquende-mi-forma-de-vivir\\_37714](http://next.liberation.fr/culture/2006/04/28/duquende-mi-forma-de-vivir_37714)

**Radio Nova (FR)**

<http://www.nova.fr/nova-aime/focus-flamenco-paris>

**France Culture (FR)**

<https://www.francemusique.fr/emissions/escapades/escapades-du-dimanche-30-juillet-2017-35653>

**El Mundo (SP)**

<http://www.elmundo.es/elmundo/2011/06/13/valencia/1307951457.html>

**Le Nouvel Obs (FR)**

<https://www.nouvelobs.com/culture/20050616.OBS0303/le-flamenco-a-paris-jusqu-a-samedi.html>

**RTVE (SP)**

<http://www.rtve.es/alacarta/audios/nuestro-flamenco/nuestro-flamenco-rompecabezas-duquende-06-11-12/1571281/>

**TIME OUT (SP)**

<https://www.timeout.cat/barcelona/ca/musica/vi-flamenco-y-otras-aves-duquende-presenta-de-camaron-a-lucia>

**LAOPINIONMALAGA (SP)**

<https://www.laopiniondemalaga.es/cultura-espectaculos/2017/08/23/duquende-camaron-sagas-flamencas-jondo/951341.html>