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Spanish Harlem Orchestra

Salsa Navidad

Now celebrating their 25th anniversary, **Spanish Harlem Orchestra (SHO)** continues to prove why they are one of the most vital forces in Latin music today. With the release of their 10th album, **Salsa Navidad**, the three-time GRAMMY Award-winning ensemble delivers a joyful and powerful gift to the world: a festive holiday album that blends timeless traditions with SHO's unmistakable New York Salsa sound.

More than just a seasonal release, **Salsa Navidad** cements SHO's legacy of musical excellence while offering a Christmas project that will resonate with audiences for generations. This vibrant collection captures the spirit of the holidays through authentic Puerto Rican rhythms, Plena, Bomba, and Aguinaldo, interwoven with SHO's signature style: dynamic, organic, and deeply rooted in the golden era of salsa dura.

"Sabor Navideño" features a dazzling medley which breathes new life into a beloved holiday classic, radiating alegría and nostalgia in equal measure. The album also reimagines American holiday favorites like "Jingle Bells," "Silent Night/Noche de Paz," and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" with SHO's soulful swing and rhythmic brilliance bridging cultures while honoring tradition.

Equally exciting are the original compositions "Navidad Con Plena," "Cultura y Tradición," "Venimos Cantando Alegre," and "Llegó Navidad" – future holiday standards that embody the joy, unity, and cultural pride of a Latino Christmas.

Adding to the magic, SHO welcomes special guests: legendary salsa vocalist Ray De La Paz, and Puerto Rican cuatro master Edwin Colón Zayas, whose artistry brings depth and authenticity to this holiday celebration. Kevin Osborne sings a beautiful version of the timeless... "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas."

With **Salsa Navidad**, Spanish Harlem Orchestra delivers an album that transcends time and that will resonate with audiences forever.

¡Feliz Navidad y que viva la salsa!



Track Listing:

01	Navidad Con Plena (Oscar Hernández)	5:32
02	Jingle Bells (James Pierpont)	4:30
03	Llegó Navidad (Carlos Cascánte)	4:57
04	Cultura Y Tradición (Jose "Joe" González)	4:20
05	Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas (Ralph Blane)	4:25
06	Venimos Cantando Alegre (Oscar Hernández, Marco Bermudez)	5:14
07	Mapecy feat. Ray de La Paz (Jose "Cheo" Feliciano)	5:56
08	The Christmas Song (Mel Tormé)	4:59
09	Sabor Navideño (Traditional)	7:06
10	A SHO Salsa Christmas Medley	6:28
11	Silent Night/Noche De Paz (Franz Xaver Gruber)	4:17

Musicians:

Oscar Hernández	Piano/Leader
Marco Bermúdez	Vocals
Carlos Cascánte	Vocals
Gilberto Velázquez	Vocals
Manuel "Maneco" Ruiz	Trumpet
Alex Norris	Trumpet
Doug Beavers	Trombone
Juanga Lakunza	Trombone
Mitch Frohman	Baritone Sax & Flute
Luisito Quintero	Timbales
George Delgado	Congas, Guiro & Panderos
Oreste Abrantes	Bongos, Guicharo & Panderos
Gerardo "Jerry" Madera	Bass

Special Invited Guests:

Ray De La Paz	Vocals (2, 7 & 8)
Kevin Osborne	Vocals (5)
Edwin Colón Zayas	Puerto Rican Cuatro (1, 3, 4, 6 & 9)



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