

# Pronunciation Guide

**Unless otherwise noted, all names should be pronounced** as if one were speaking Spanish, specifically late fifteenth century Andalusian Spanish, which not-so-coincidentally sounds like the Spanish used throughout the Americas. Taíno words sound like Spanish words, except GU sounds like a W. Put the stress on the capitalized letters, and roll your Rs if possible! It's fun.

Baltasar Infante	bahl-tah-SAHR een-FAHN-teh
Amir al-Katib	ah-MEER ahl kah-TEEB (or the more Arabic AH-muhr ahl KAH-tuhb)
Anacaona	ah-nah-cah-OH-nah
Antonio de Cuellar	ahn-TOHN-ee-oh deh KWEH-yahr
Arabuko	ah-rah-BOO-koh
Bahamut	bah-hah-MOOT
Bartolome	bahr-toh-LOH-meh
cacique	kah-SEE-keh
Caonabó	kah-oh-nah-BOH

cemíes	seh-MEE-ehs
Cristóbal Colón	kree-STOH-bahl koh-LOHN
David	thah-VEETH (the “th” sounds like the “th” in “this,” not “thick”)
Diego	dee-EH-goh
Elena Hernández	eh-LEH-nah ehr-NAHN-dehs
golem	GOH-lehm
Gonzalo	gohn-SAH-loh
Granada	grah-NAH-dah
Guacanagarí	wah-kah-nah-gah-REE
hamaca	AH-mah-kah
hameh	HAH-meh
Higuamota	ee-wah-MOH-tah
huracán	oo-rah-KAHN
Jagua	HAH-gwah
Jinniyah	dzhuh-NEE-yah
Joaquín	hwah-KEEN
Juan	HWAHN
Luis de Torres	loo-EES deh TOH-rrehs
Maguana	mah-WAH-nah
Malleus Maleficarum	mah-LAY-oos mah-leh-fee-KAH-room
maravedíes	mah-rah-beh-DEE-ehs
Marién	mah-ree-EHN
Martín Pinzón	mahr-TEEN peen-SOHN
Mizrahi	meez-rah-CHEE (“ch” sounds like a less-harsh version of the ch in “Chanukah”)

mudejares	moo-deh-HAH-rehs
Niña, Pinta, Santa María	NEE-nyah, PEEN-tah, SAHN-tah mah-REE-ah
Sara	SAH-rah
Serena	seh-REH-nah
Shana Mlawski	SHEY-nuh muh-LAU-skee
Taíno	tah-EE-noh
Titivillus	tee-tee-VEE-loos
Uqba	AHK-bah
Vicente Pinzón	bee-SEHN-teh peen-SOHN
Yucahú	yoo-kah-OO

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