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“Beyond Balenciaga’s genius for fir, there was another reason why fashion mavens flocked to his salon on Avenue George V. The Spaniard practically spoke a different visual language. Motifs from his sun-drenched homeland—bullfights, flamenco, the regional garb of local fisherman, the incense-perfumed Catholic church, the opulent Spanish Court and the subversive portraits of Goya—gleam in his work.” ~C *California Style*

“...an extraordinary and unprecedented exhibition...” ~i-D

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