

## Mp3 Armando De Pina - Alma Cabo-verdiana



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Passionate songs of love, fate, and the yearning for one's homeland, Cape Verde. Set to an exceptional blend of Latin, Brazilian, African influenced instrumentals. 12 MP3 Songs WORLD: African, WORLD: World Traditions Details: In the middle of Atlantic Ocean, surrounded by four continents lies Cape Verde. It is a formation of 10 beautiful islands. Brava the tiny island of flowers was to be the birth place of Armando De Pina. Immigration to America came early. The first voyage to the United States of America occurred in 1957 on the ship Ernestina, now anchored at New Bedford harbor in Massachusetts. After a brief return to Cape Verde, the same year, Armando De Pina embarked on the ship, "Vera Cruz" to Lisbon, from there he would proceed to the United States on TWA to finally settle. He wouldn't return to Cape Verde for another 9 years. In Cape Verde and in the United States, music always accompanied him. Frequent requests for his singing talent were common for cultural activities and special gatherings in the Cape Verdean community. In the year of 1959, he wrote the music to "Sara" inspired by the love of Sara and Nana. It became one of Armando's most requested songs. In the year of 1963, walking on the beaches of Nantasket, Massachusetts, and missing of his birthplace. Armando De Pina wrote "Mar E Morada De Sodade", today recorded by several renowned artists, among them, Cesria vora and Bana. The following year, "Djabraba 'N Ca Negabo" was composed. This piece probably defines best what Armando De Pina is all about. It is a song about longing for one's mother and home Brava. At the same time, he pledges never to forget either. In 1985 a journey to Lisbon at a friends' insistence resulted in Armando's first album, "Nha Pensamento's" The compositions "Mar E Morada De Sodade", "Sara", and "Djabraba 'N Ca Negabo" did quite well. Admirers were left wanting more. However, it would be several years before their wishes would be granted. Armando and his wife Eugenia had decided to move to Florida in 1988. Eugenia unfortunately passed away from cancer. The song writing ceased for long time.

However, after getting through this painful experience. Armando returned to New England in 1996 and married Maria and started to sing again. Nine years after his return to New England. Armando De Pina, with the assistance of Vuca Pinheiro and other great Cape Verdean artists, is out with a new cd called "Alma Cabo-verdiana" The Soul of Cape Verde.

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