

Mp3 Pipe Major David Hutton - Tunes From 'the Glen'



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Traditional Scottish bagpipes by Gleneagles Hotel resident piper. With additional instruments by David Scott (The Pearlfishers). 14 MP3 Songs WORLD: Western European, WORLD: Celtic Details: Pipe Major David Hutton has been playing for more than 60 years. He started learning when he joined the Boys Brigade in Motherwell (Lanarkshire, Scotland) at the age of 9. He took part in the amateur competition circuit from age 12 until he became eligible to compete with adults in a professional basis. He became very successful in the prize lists. David has played in just 4 bands since 1945 when he started with Newmains and District. In 1949, he joined Muirhead and Sons Pipe Band in Grangemouth. Muirheads went on to win the World Pipe Band Championships eight times during his 30 years with them. M&S disbanded in 1978 and David joined Shotts and Dykehead Caledonia under the leadership of Tom McAllister Jnr. Shotts won the World title in 1980 to make 9 wins over the course of his career. During his time with these two bands, he picked up many band prizes including 5 Guinness Medals and travelled all over the world. Entertaining the public and taking part in competition piping. He was also in the original Casino Royale with Muirheads. He took over as Pipe Major with the Gleneagles Strathearn in 1994 and stayed there until 2000. In 1994, David also landed the dream job of becoming resident piper at Gleneagles Hotel in Perthshire. At the time of writing (February 2007) you can still find him playing regularly at weddings and other hotel functions. The title of this cd, Tunes From The Glen was inspired by his involvement with this prestigious establishment, locally known as The Glen. All of the tunes here feature regularly in his repertoire. Now over 70, the concept of his playing being available for download is somewhat alien to him but whatever, he has no plans to hang up his pipes just anytime soon. The album was produced by David Scott of The Pearlfishers who also adds additional guitar, bodhran, percussion and keyboards. From Piper and Drummer Magazine... "Davy Hutton, the long-time Pipe-Sergeant of the

famous Muirhead and Sons Pipe Band, at 70-plus-years-old is the latest "retired" piper to put out a studio recording. This is light fare, to be sure, but it's played with the panache of someone who's been around, and we should all aspire to play so well for so long. Hutton's gig as the piper at the Gleneagles Hotel would make any piper-golfer's mouth water, and his playing, relatively speaking, is as smooth and true as the greens on the King's Course."

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