

## Mp3 Derik Schumacher - Country: Modern Country



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Modern country album featuring two patriotic songs. 11 MP3 Songs COUNTRY: Modern Country, COUNTRY: Country Pop Details: Nashville, Tennessee - Always the entertainer at home, Derik's family and friends encouraged him to perform at parties and weddings, which by the time he was fifteen years old, included taverns and biker bars in and around Washburn, Illinois. Further encouraged by the other musicians and singers he performed alongside, Derik began making an almost annual trek to Nashville to "learn what the music business was all about." Accompanied by performer and mentor John Hartenbower, Derik first sang at Nashville's famous Tootsie's Orchid Lounge at sixteen years of age. Subsequent trips to Nashville led to performances at dozens of popular singer and songwriter havens, including the Broken Spoke where Derik met and shared his songs with artist Earl Thomas Conley. Encouraged by the number of other singers and writers who shook his hand and wanted to hear more, including members of Marty Stuarts' band, Derik recorded some original songs and handed cassettes out to anyone who wanted a copy. This provided more welcomed feedback from professionals in Nashville which Derik not only embraced but absorbed. In August of 2004 Derik came to Nashville to sing on three demonstration recordings at the invitation of hit songwriter Charlie Craig. Included on that session was a song titled MILES FROM HERE co-written by Derik, Charlie and renowned artist and songwriter Marty Brown. This experience in the studio and the interest Derik received from a major record label prompted Derik to move his family, which included his wife Dawn and five children to Nashville in October of 2004. At one early morning meeting after a late night writer's night Derik was introduced to veteran record producer and publisher Eric Zanetis, best known for having published the incomparable hit DON'T TAKE THE GIRL recorded by Tim McGraw. Zanetis immediately appreciated Derik's emotional intensity and "no fear" approach to songs, and they began discussing working together to create an

album. The result is a group of unique, fun, beautiful, and emotionally expressive songs written by some of the premier songwriters in the industry. Derik contributed two songs to the album as a songwriter. Derik's debut album has been released by Modern Vinyl Music Distributing Company. It contains two new patriotic tributes to veterans. Theatrical work in high school including student directing, working in his family business, attending Illinois Central College, and live performances rubbing shoulders with some of the most talented writers, musicians, and singers in the music industry has prepared Derik Schumacher well to breakout onto the music scene with an impact few "new" artists have known. To preview the CD, go to the music link on his website. If you like what you hear, call your local radio and TV stations and let them know you want to hear more Derik Schumacher.

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