

## Mp3 Seraya Young - The Prodigal Daughter



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Daringly intimate singer/songwriter with no boundaries, a soulful voice - a captivating journey through song of lust, love, empowerment, transformation, fantasy, and passion. 11 MP3 Songs in this album (41:07) ! Related styles: POP: Pop, FOLK: like Ani People who are interested in Jewel Janis Joplin Alanis Morissette should consider this download. Details: Presenting the debut album of one of Australia's most daringly intimate female singer/songwriters, Seraya After a great start to her music career with the launch of her self-titled EP in late 2003, Melbourne based singer-songwriter Seraya is back on the scene to launch her much awaited debut album "the prodigal daughter". The launch single "You", a finalist in the MusicOz song competition, has an entrancing rhythm with a unique folky/pop and earthy feel. The song encapsulates a purely feminine outlook of love and appreciation of everything near and dear. It is also from this interesting female perspective that Seraya transforms of a cover of Bruce Springsteen's "I'm on Fire", displaying the strength of her voice and embracing the raw yet conscious sensitivity of her style. Seraya says, "Great songs often strike a chord somewhere deep inside you, providing an emotional connection to a very personal experience, hopefully offering some kind of nourishing support." It is these links to life's lessons that keep Seraya's audiences coming back for more! Genre/Style.. Singer/songwriter Seraya is an artist who is best left alone when it comes to pigeonholing, and probably better described as a performer whose musical style has no apparent audible boundaries. She sits as comfortably inside a belting rock number as she does within a dark moody Tori Amos-esque piece. Amongst her skilful marriage of genres, listeners are treated to a whole lot of soul, passion and fun. Seraya feels her music is very much an organic and spontaneous thing for her, without much thought for how it may fit into a particular category. However in keeping with her affinity for all things earthy, Seraya combines as many 'real' sounds in her music as humanly possible. Strings, woodwind, flute, harmonica, keys... you name it,

she's got it! How she got started.. Born in South Africa to musical parents and a family of six, Seraya was pre-destined for a career in the arts. She says her father tells stories of parking a truck out the front of the local town hall and playing on the back, luring kids out into the streets to dance. Some of her fondest memories are of lounge room jam sessions at home. It's no wonder she was, by the age of 5, discovered balancing on tippy toes to simultaneously reach the pedals and keypads of the family organ to try and nut out a tune. Eventually her family coaxed the shy child to make her first public performance with the promise of a brand new puppy for her bravery. ... what's she been up to? Her successes so far have included; \* independent release of a six track self-titled EP and single "You" \* the songs 'You' and 'I Want Your Love' featured on Austereo's Hot 30 Unsigned segment with Jackie O and Kyle. \* MP3 artist of the month status as selected by Ian Molly Meldrum. \* 'I Want Your Love' held the number one position on the MP3 Charts for ten weeks running. \* This same track was also chosen as a finalist in the Qld Recording Association's Annual Sunnie Awards. \* "You" featured on Frank Grima's (Mojo Music Studio - USA) music show, broadcasting to east coast radio stations \* "You" finalist in the MusicOz song competition. \* Seraya and band finalists for Brisbane's River 94.9 "Untapped" competition. \* tour of India 2004/2005. \* Commonwealth Games Cultural Performance \* Bollywood film track \* Collaborations with Amraa Ek and Matt Hogan/Elio Galle ... her take on what she does Inspiration is plentiful for Seraya, who believes, "We are influenced in one way or another by everything that we ever hear". Enjoying styles from classical through to R&B, funk, rock and pop, Seraya doesn't really pinpoint any specific artist as a favourite. For her all music is an emotional experience, and if an artist/band can achieve that, their work impacts. Some of the female songstresses Seraya has previously been compared to include Alanis Morissette, Jewel and the late Kirsty MacColl, and Janis Joplin. "My favourite gigs are the ones where the whole band is a tight unit and we get to feel a real connection with the audience. When we know they felt something and in turn gave something back to us." And let it be said, that Seraya delivers a powerful performance which packs plenty more than a punch! Tags: pop

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