## Mp3 Jacquie Walters - Step Into The Light



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A clear, crisp, and passionate folk/acoustic album described by one reviewer as "full of love, longing, and romance" from a "very fine songstress indeed." 13 MP3 Songs FOLK: like Joni, FOLK: Modern Folk Details: Step Into the Light: The second solo CD for Jacquie Walters (nee Hanham), formerly a member of Pounamu. Step Into The Light features 13 original songs from the pop-like title track to the sparse and emotive Harvest Of Tears which is based on stories gathered during Walters time working as the editor of a logging magazine. Icarus is a tribute to the late New Zealand Prime Minister David Lange. Theres a touch of country on My Little Girl and some delicate, sensitive playing from notable session musicians such as Mark Laurent (guitar) and Janet Holborow (cello). New Zealand Folk Album of the Year finalist for 2005, Chris Priestley, also makes an appearance as a backing vocalist. This CD is for lovers of the acoustic sound. Critical responses to Step Into The Light: A clear, crisp and passionate recording. Martyn Pepperell, NZ Musician Full of love, longing, and romancethis really is a beautiful albumA very fine songstress indeedShes just crafted these songs so beautifully. Liz Barry, Good Morning Television 1, New Zealand. "Step Into The Light' is more in the fine folk vein, the focus on meaningful reflections. And with hints of cello and violin creating slight avenues between Walters inventive picking and rich vocals, the songs are warm performances...Step Into the Light is an engaging listen with a fine wine on a cosy evening." Steve Scott - Waikato Times Jacquie Walters: Jacquie is a freelance writer, editor, and singer-songwriter. Jacquie began composing songs before she could read and sang in choirs during her school years. From 1987-1989 she trained as a singer under Welsh tenor Alun Jones during her two years at the United World College of the Atlantic, in Wales. After returning to New Zealand she regularly performed at folk clubs and festivals around the country, forming a group called Pounamu with Ariana Tikao and Leigh Taiwhati. The group recorded Koha before Leigh left the group. Pounamu, then

comprised of Jacquie and Ariana, went on to record Uha and Mihi, made regular appearances on regional television, and were selected to represent the South Island on a multi-part musical series recorded on the roof of the TVNZ building in Auckland. They were also selected to represent New Zealand in order to deliver the Body Shops petition against French nuclear testing to the Presidential Palace in Paris in 1996. During their trip they performed on the BBC World Service and in Sydney, London, Paris, and Strasbourg. In 1999 Jacquie toured and performed at UK festivals as part of Freewheelin with Pete Dean and Kate Bramley. Kate is now a member of Jez Lowes band The Bad Pennies. In 2000 Jacquie returned to New Zealand. She recorded her first solo CD Dreamwalking in Christchurch in 2000. The title track from the CD received an honourable mention in the Billboard World Song Contest. A second track from the album achieved an honourable mention in the Unisong International Song Competition. She recorded her second solo cd 'Step Into The Light' in 2006.

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