Mp3 David Michael - Heart Of The Harp



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Pristine, relaxing solo performances on the Celtic harp, a majestic, ancient instrument 10 MP3 Songs
NEW AGE: Celtic New Age, WORLD: Celtic Details: A masterwork from David Michael and his Celtic
harp In this emotionally laced recording, David serves up soothing melodies as deep reflections of
nature and prayerful offerings for peace in a troubled world. The warm, gently rocking effect of the
nylon-strung harp makes the music suitable not only for thoughtful contemplation, but for massage, yoga
and other healing arts whose practitioners have relied on David's music for years. The final piece includes
a guest appearance by Rick Henderson on sarode (a beautiful, expressive, 25-string fretless lute).
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June 2005: DAVID MICHAEL: HEART OF THE HARP (Purnima, PPCD 1016) Fresh from a fun foray into
vocal folk (The Crocodile The Chihuahua), David Michael returns to familiar grounds with a new
instrumental album displaying his genius on the Celtic harp. Heart of the Harp is specifically aimed at
those seeking sounds to soothe; this is Michael's salute to spiritual leaders, therapists, yoga instructors
and exercise leaders who have again and again turned to his music to create more enriched experiences
While much meditative music is designed to help the listener slow, relax, and release, Michael's, while
soothing, has a lift and bounce to it. The listener is not only relaxed, but reassured and directed to the
sunny side of the street. Heart of the Harp is, like Michael's recent harp recordings, mostly a solo effort.
One track has some extra texture from sarodist Rick Henderson, and this unconventional blend works
brilliantly. (Tom Peterson)
Northwestern resident David Michael has been putting out recordings for a long time, often in partnership
with Randy Mead. Here, on his thirteenth CD, he works alone on all but the concluding track, providing a
shimmering dance of melodic tones from his Celtic harpMichael is well-versed in many musical styles

and his melodies and treatments bear a close listen. This is, frankly, music that satisfies at many levels. There are reminiscences of Celtic dances, of Middle Eastern melodies, of music box-like magic. The final track, which stretches to over fourteen and a half minutes, adds Rick Henderson on sarod (a 25-string fretless lute with inevitably, a Middle Eastern quality). The results of bringing these very different instruments together are truly gratifying, partly because of the inventive motif that enters and re-enters throughout the piece. Michael is a master of the harp and he brings a sprightly creative energy to the melodies he pulls from it. This is highly recommended. (Bill Fisher)

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