

## Mp3 Jim Malcolm - Live In Glenfarg



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One of Scotland's finest trad/folk singers performs the 15 best songs from his first four albums in front of a warm Scottish audience. An outstanding album. 15 MP3 Songs in this album (69:41) ! Related styles:

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years, Jim Malcolm has been trucking round Scotland and America for two decades, singing his own prizewinning songs about contemporary and historical Scotland, breathing new life into ancient poems

and the brilliant songs of Robert Burns, and bringing the traditional songs of Scotland to audiences

everywhere. A man of great humour, he has had a whole lot of fun in the process - and so have his

audiences. Jim Malcolm was brought up in Perthshire and Angus and was steeped in the traditional

music of Scotland from an early age. He learned to play guitar while at school and by his early twenties

was winning songwriting competitions and playing in folk clubs all over Scotland. His career began to take

off when he hosted the open stage at Edinburgh Folk Festival, and through his own playing there secured

a contract with Greentrax for his first solo album, Sconeward. Acclaimed by critics and chosen as one of

the year's best by Radio Scotland's folk programmes Travelling Folk and Celtic Connections, the album

brought in bookings at folk clubs and festivals in Britain and abroad, and established Jim as one of the

leading songwriters in the traditional idiom in Scotland. He was dubbed: "The new male voice of

Scotland." Songs from Sconeward have been recorded and are regularly performed by international acts

such as The McCalmans and The Poozies, and Jim was asked to give songwriting and song

accompaniment masterclasses at many festivals, including Scotland's foremost festival, Celtic

Connections in Glasgow. Next up was Rohallion, a collection of Jim's new songs recorded with gifted

pianist and fiddler Dave Watt and percussionist Iain MacFadyen. "An intoxicating display of lyrical and

musical genius" was how Rock 'n' Reel described the CD, from which Jim's song Battle of Waterloo, to the pipe tune of the same name, was an instant hit. Rohallion consolidated Jim's reputation as one of Scotland's most exciting young folk acts, and brought repeated requests for television and radio appearances. STV broadcast a documentary on Jim and Angus singer Jim Reid for its Artery series, and their singing was featured in the "best of" programme which rounded off the series. He was one of twelve leading Scottish singers who performed Andy Thorburn's epic work Tuath gu Deas, and has featured on volumes four, five and six of Linn Records Complete Songs of Robert Burns, produced by Dr Fred Freeman. In December 2002 Jim released his fourth solo CD, Home, again on Beltane Records, and again it made waves and won over new fans. Jim also sang in the Northern Nights series on Grampian TV and STV. In January 1999 Jim joined one of Scotland's most popular international folk acts, the Old Blind Dogs from north east Scotland, and has since worked with them all over the UK, in France, Spain, Italy, Denmark, Germany, USA, Canada and Bulgaria. His song Battle of Waterloo was recorded on their sixth album, The World's Room. In 2000 Jim released his third solo CD, Resonance, on Beltane Records. It features a collection of his favourite traditional songs alongside four of his own new compositions and some contemporary classics. Lochanside, his composition written to the popular pipe tune, has already been picked up and recorded by several other professional acts. Then came "The Gab o Mey" with Old Blind Dogs, an album to greet the spring of 2003, with which the band toured the USA in spring and autumn. This was Old Blind Dogs' third CD with Jim as lead singer. It joined Fit? and The Worlds Room on Green Linnet's top 10 sellers, and is a gorgeous album, recorded near Aboyne in Aberdeenshire. To date career highlights also include solo tours in USA, Germany, Canada, Denmark, Ireland and England, solo studio spots on Travelling Folk, an appearance on STV's Hogmanay show and a tour in Uganda. His song Neptune featured on an award-winning documentary about a North Sea oil spill. In November 2003 Jim filled the small but acoustically sound Glenfarg Village Hall to record his first ever live album, in front of family, fans and friends over two nights. He was nervous, all right, but the results were brilliant, capturing the spontaneity of his concerts (though we didn't include the hilarious introductions). "Live in Glenfarg" was released early in 2004 and has been our fastest seller yet. A busy year of touring on both sides of the Atlantic, 2004 finished on a high when Jim won Songwriter of the Year, and Old Blind Dogs won Scottish Folk Band of the Year, at a glittering awards ceremony in Edinburgh in December, all organised by the Scots Trad Music Society. In October 2005 Jim released his fifth solo album, Tam

O'Shanter Other Tales, which includes his epic, 15-minute musical version of Burns' wonderful poem, alongside seven other new songs of his own. Early in 2007 Jim's seventh solo CD, Acquaintance, was released, a lovely collection of mostly well-known Burns songs, with a few less-well-known gems for good measure. When he's not on the road Jim likes to relax by the riverbank, trying, but rarely succeeding, to catch trout. He likes to read Private Eye, revel in the woes of the Conservative Party, and drink far too much coffee.

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