## **Mp3 Trev Diesel - The Parachute Ep**



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Funky, smart, acoustic pop featuring sing-along melodies and head-bopping grooves in the vein of Jason Mraz, Phish, OAR, and others... 6 MP3 Songs POP: Folky Pop, ROCK: Acoustic Details: Singer/songwriter Trev Diesel's music is a diverse blend of styles with one thing in common: catchy, well-written songs that are both lyrically significant and musically interesting. Through sing-along melodies and head-bopping grooves, he presents a unique musical offering that will engage listeners' hearts, minds and souls. A classically trained student of both guitar and percussion, Trev studied music composition at Ball State University before going on to be a part of such bands as redletterproject and roebuck[bevy]. Now performing as a solo artist, Trev Diesel's live act has begun to win an audience through stellar musicianship and interactive stage shows. Trev's first major solo recording, The Parachute EP (2006), is a collection of crowd favorites from his outstanding live sets. An eclectic blend of pop, rock, jam, funk, reggae and jazz, the EP showcases his abilities as a skilled lyricist, singer, guitarist, and songwriter. The instantly memorable melodies, intelligent lyrics, and emotional vocal presentation coupled with the vibrant musicianship on behalf of his players and the sleek, warm capture of sound by the production team make these songs a refreshing diversion from the norm. Simply put, it's music at its best performed by an artist who knows where his bliss resides and isn't afraid to call this mystical place home. The disc's short "Prelude" immediately warms up listeners with a light twang of the acoustic guitar before exploding into the title track, a captivating song about addiction and the struggle to overcome temptation. Despite its weighty lyrical content, the playful, catchy melody of "Parachute" instantly grabs listeners' attention and hooks fans into the groove, leaving them wondering what's in store on the rest of the album. In "Our Little Secret," Trev taps into his jazzier, subtler side with a coy and somewhat sarcastic song about a forbidden love encounter. The surprising saxophone, clavinet, and piano accents supply a distinct twist and light-hearted soundtrack to this radio-friendly hit. Delving lyrically deeper as the album progresses, "The Road" invites us to raise our glass as Trev proposes a toast to all that is "noble and true" in life. The joyful reggae arrangement and existential lyrics make this song a true gem that is sure to be a fan favorite. Complementing the previous tracks is "The Air Up There," one of the catchiest songs of the EP. This fast-paced, head-bopping firecracker about a young man drowning in his decisions will get listeners out of their seats and moving their feet. And finally, "When I Die" is a perfect ending to the EP, as Trev explores death and the glories of what lies beyond. Using a 13-century Sufi poem as inspiration, Trev opens the window to his inner being and gives the world a glimpse at his old-soul, spiritual side. The album makes a surprising turn musically in the final track with a breathy, jazz arrangement made up simply of one guitar, upright bass, piano, and light drums. "When I Die" concludes this adventuresome EP with a definite feeling of comfort and closure. Throughout "The Parachute EP," as well as in live performances, Trev demonstrates professional control of pitch, harmonies and subtle changes with his sturdy, rich and endearing voice. Each song proves his varying range and open tone, and displays his diverse talent in vocal delivery. Significant lyrics and sprinkles of assorted instruments keep audiences pleasantly surprised as the cheerful interchange of guitar, horns, piano and more add exciting dimensions to Trev's songwriting. With each song, a new layer of Trev's musicianship and spiritual depth is revealed. Those who embark on this lyrical and melodic journey will no doubt become instant fans of the amazing simplicity yet wealth of substance and balance that is Trev Diesel and "The Parachute EP."

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