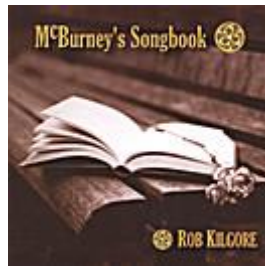


# Mp3 Rob Kilgore - McBurney's Songbook



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Celtic Cowboy Crooner - Craic'n Cool. Folk Music Performed in the Cowboy Tradition with a Decidedly Irish Edge. 12 MP3 Songs FOLK: Traditional Folk, WORLD: Celtic Details: There is nothing finer than a celtic design with various repeating shapes and forms and lots of interweaving lines taking your eyes all around. The tracks on McBurney's Songbook are much like a Celtic button, intricate in shape and form and no two are exactly the same. Songbook is comprised of original folk music with a strong celtic edge. The McBurney's were living south of Galway and came to America much like many other Irish families during the great potato famine in the mid 1800's. Robert McBurney and his family eventually moved to Pennsylvania and this is where the ancestral farm is still run and operated. The McBurney's were an Irish protestant family and many of the tunes on Songbook were inspired by the strong family ties that Robert's children carried on to their children. The centerpiece of Songbook is the aptly titled "Ballad of Robert McBurney" complete with a lush harp intro. The celtic harp sets the mood for this somber song about the life and death of its namesake. The album kicks off with the bouncy dittie entitled "Down at the Glen," a song that Rob wrote about his childhood memories of the Kilgore family trips to the Glen Echo Amusement Park. If you grew up in the DC area back in the 50's and 60's, then you would have certainly heard about Glen Echo. The Coaster Dip was a great old wooden roller coaster, and the Kilgore kids were always pestering Mom and Dad to take them to Glen Echo to ride on the Dentzel Carousel or go to the Crystal Pool. This track gives the listener a brief history of the park and how it came to its demise in the late 60's. One of the strongest tunes on the album is the infectuous "Beauty of Ireland," inspired by a trip to the homeland that Rob made back in 1987. The song beckons back to all the glorious green pastures, the statues and fountains, the great music and customs of the Irish people. "Och Aye" is an old Irish saying that Frank McCourt used during his childhood growing up in Ireland. If you've read Angela's

Ashes or Tis, then you know the saying Och Aye. It works as an expletive as well as an affirmation. This is a tune about one night at Mrs. O'Leary's pub in Gaithersburg. McBurney's Songbook finishes with the haunting Turf Fire. Its a song about a relationship that has gone bad and the poor soul that is left alone to his own demons. If you like folk music performed in a traditional manner, you will certainly enjoy McBurney's Songbook. If you love family life, the album will also appeal to you. Songbook is filled with all the sounds of Ireland, and Rob Kilgore's extended Irish musical family appears throughout.

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