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The Roadside Daisies precise vocal arrangements and ethereal harmonies, as well as excellent musicianship, blend together into their own organic style of musical bliss. 12 MP3 Songs POP: Ambient Pop, POP: Folky Pop Show all album songs: Roadside Daisies Songs Details: The Roadside Daisies are a Sonoma County/San Francisco, Bay Area guintet; featuring the skillfully crafted melodies of singer songwriters; Sophia Ferrera (vocals, guitar), Alyx Benham (vocals, piano), Jason Ferrera (vocals, guitar). The solid grooves are provided by Jack Spirit (drums) and John Paul McLean (bass). Together this intriguing ensemble creates a soundscape reminiscent of the rich harmonies of Zap Mama combined with the musical genius of REM. With Sophia and Alyx, formerly of Copper Wimmin, it is no wonder that the Roadside Daisies sound never fails to captivate their listeners. As semi-finalists in the Lilith Fair competition, these women are not new to the music scene. Together they have already met success in the NORBAY's and in the San Francisco Bay Area Harmony Sweepstakes, where they took home a silver metal. Most recently their work has earned them the prestigious 2006 Isadora Duncan Dance Award for best musical score, and has been featured on the showtime series The L Word. They have shared the stage with Jason Moraz, Indigo Girls, and Ani Difranco, and have trained under renowned vocal artists, Rhiannon and Linda Tillery. If Sophia and Alyx are the heart of the Daisies, then Jason, John Paul, and Jack are definitely the soul. Jason refers to himself as the "closet case musician." Self-taught, he recalls playing guitar in his bedroom behind closed doors. "Music was my therapy," he remembers. Friends and family heard his amazing aptitude for composition, and encouraged him to perform. Influenced by Jefferson Airplane and Hendrix, Jason built upon this to create a versatile energetic sound which rapidly gained him respect in the local music scene. Another well respected musician, Jack studied music with composer and percussionist George Mark at Sonoma State University. Fondly known as the "Tantric

Tapper," Jack's creativity has been heard with local favorites; JoAnne Rand, and Pack Of Wolves. He thrives off of connecting with the audience, especially in live performances. Bassist John Paul completes this talented group of musicians. A graduate of Berklee College of Music, John Paul creates profound grooves which continue to enthrall listeners. Influenced by such greats as Motown's James Jamerson and legendary Paul McCartney, John Paul's grooves and arrangements are simply captivating. So, how did this path unfold? Jason and Sophia were scheduled to perform with another musician, when a minor disaster struck- the other musician fell ill at the last minute. Alyx jumped into action and joined the two. Together, the three friends put on an electrifying and completely spontaneous performance. They knew that they had discovered something unique and magical. Almost immediately, they began collaborating with Jack. Jack enthusiastically introduced bassist John Paul to the group, and the Roadside Daisies were born. Roadside Daisies are persistent miracles of nature, which sprout their beauty in the most unlikely places. They represent hope and determination, as does this band. Their friendship is apparent in their performance. Together they intertwine their talents and fuse intricate melodies and trademark harmonies that have their listeners dancing one minute, and spellbound the next; a gift which should be shared with the world.

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