

# Mp3 Woods Tea Co. - Celtic Collection



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Details: Woods Tea Company is an acoustic group that performs fiery Celtic tunes, bluegrass, sea shanties, and American folk songs with ease and skill. During a performance they use as many as a dozen different instruments, including banjos and bouzoukis, guitars and bodhrans, and traditional tin whistles. Folk legend Woody Guthrie was an early inspiration for the band. There was something about his music that bucked music establishment trends, says band member Rusty Jacobs; He was singing directly to the people and it appealed to us. After building a solid reputation in New England, Woods Tea Company started touring on the concert circuit nationwide, eventually playing in all of the lower 48 states. Notable performances include New Yorks Lincoln Center (twice), the Chautauqua Institute (three times), appearances on PBS and and national Public Radio, who labeled them Vermonts hardest working folk group Folk Music Quarterly described them as one of the hottest up and coming acts, saying sidestepping pretension and going for the grit, this New England group gives a lusty performance, every time. A few years ago, the Irish Heritage Foundation honored the group with their Outstanding Innovation Award in appreciation and recognition for their creative contributions to Irish music. Some of what you will experience is described by Pulitzer Prize winning author Ron Powers: "The company's trademark off-hand entry to applause and whistles, the familiar blue-jeans and suspenders, the beards and the vests, Rusty Jacobs' battered watch-cap, Michael Lussen's 50's hipster fedora and shades. Howard Wooden, amiable tenor, flashes a grin or a wince as he fits his shoulder to the standup bass. It's folk night in the USA eternal... "The sudden thrilling uproar, the throb of strings, the lusty harmonized voices, that wash of pent-up lyricism that never died in any of us, the aching defiance of sweet lost Ireland, the echoes of men at sea, the rose-petal laments for blood spilled in the troubles ancient and ongoing. "Rusty

whips a pennywhistle from his hip pocket, Lussen jerks his head sideways in the thrall of a skittering riff. Wooden's eyes tighten shut in a tenor croon that brings back hillside apple-orchard autumns to every urban warrior in the place. For a few transporting hours an old highway rolls, and the harsh discordant notes of four American decades fall away. We are as we might have been if we had only stayed Alberta bound, if we had followed the child in us onstage...For a few precious hours we are the Woods Tea Company." People who are interested in should consider this download.

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