

Mp3 Markowski - Porcupine's Sister



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rootsy pop with countryflavour 6 MP3 Songs POP: Folkly Pop, COUNTRY: Country Pop Details: What happens if a singer/songwriter from the inspiring town Berlin (Germany) moves to Holland and loses her heart to Americana? Rightshe starts writing her own rootsy popsongs about wicked things in life that grown up people are supposed to understand, but actually don't. Sonja Markowski whispers softly, sings with the strong, expressive voice of a rock chick. She touches your heart, effortless. Her honest lyrics paint pictures you will definitely remember. Her songs sound too rootsy to fit in the pop section, too young to be traditional folk, too soft to be rocknroll and too wicked to be countrymusic. Actually, its all of this, but still different. Ten years ago she met her musical soulmate Jan van Bijnen. He's got exactly what her songs need: the edgy singing of a dobro, a crispy guitar, a dreamy pedal steel, a tender mandolin and the lonely sound of a banjo. He adds some countryflavour to the songs, without going too much yeehaw. Both played together as professional musicians in different bands for years. But it's only one year ago that Sonja decided to really follow her heart. That's when Markowski started to perform on a regular base. Not only in Holland (clubs, festivals, live radio/tv performances) but also in Germany, USA and Belgium. Sometimes Markowski plays in a band setting, with Cees van der Laarse (double bass) and Rudi Sanders (drums). Cees previously played with Herman van Veen, Jan Akkerman, Paul van Vliet, Chip Taylor and others. Rudi is also known as the drummer of Monsieur Dubois. The demo-EP Family Caf (recorded in february 2006) got great reviews. Belgiums website ctrlaltnountry.be wrote: With her clear, extraordinary expressive voice she lifts the songs up to a level some famous American artists can only dream of. Interesting enough to keep a close watch on this promising talent. In april 2006 Markowski won the Grand Prize Of South Holland. The jury said: "This is songwriting like it should be! Awesome. The singer is as good as her musicians, the whole performance is very strong. Markowski is a complete singer/songwriter.

Everything is on a high level. The combination of the songs, the performance and her strong personality make it very special." The EP 'Porcupine's Sister' (sep 2006) is out now. Six songs with a totally natural sound, no sleek production but 'what you hear is what you get'-music. Check it out!

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