

Mp3 Green Tea - All Ages



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A collection of Celtic World-Beat music with a strong fusion of Celtic Jazz, which usually defies categorization. 10 MP3 Songs WORLD: Celtic, FOLK: Modern Folk Details: Green Tea performs a collection of High-Energy Irish Dance Music with a strong infusion of Celtic World-Beat and contemporary jazz improvisation. Such is the "unity within diversity" of Green Tea's sound (the traditional blended with the new), that one listener even remarked upon hearing a few tracks from Green Tea's first album, "Why, it's like some new kind of rock music." Well, rock is not quite it ("Celtic jazz" might be closer), but Green Tea's world-beat sound is unique and sometimes can defy categorization. In any case, Green Tea will knock your socks off! And that includes socks of all ages: college students, children, and parents may be found dancing on the same eclectic dance floor when Green Tea plays. Even grandma and grandpa enjoy the traditional style from which much of their music derives. Their first album's name? ALL AGES, of course! Listeners delight in following the winding auditory pathways that Green Tea's musicians explore in their articulation of not only Irish traditional music and contemporary jazz but echoes of other genres such as bluegrass, Middle Eastern and Eastern European grooves, Native American music, Latin beats, the Blues, and even Pop music. Known for its diverse array of instrumentation, Green Tea serves up new sounds and new concepts with every performance, revealing a furious dueling between tradition and innovation, discovery and invention. Green Tea's instrumentalists and vocalists share with all their listeners their humor, their knowledge of musical traditions old and new, and most importantly their love for their music. Green Tea is Celeste Hadfield, Kristin Wockenfus, John Coletta, Dave Tamres, Catherine Woodruff, and founding member Trevor Roark. Each performer brings a unique background to the array of musical mixes seen on stage. Originally from California, Celeste started her career at the young age of ten. At thirteen, she toured with The Beggermen from Belfast, Ireland. Now she entrances crowds with an

unsurpassed energy as the lead singer of Green Tea. Kristin, their violinist, became enthralled with Celtic music after visiting the "green isle" in high school. Her driving melodies fuse classical technique with Celtic spirit and dance right off the stage. John, an English professor and one of the world's best "hands" players (Who needs flutes and whistles when you can blow into your hands for free?), couldn't fully escape his musician father's classical training and jazz-playing influence. So, when John's clarinet died and returned to live a double life as a pennywhistle and a keyless Irish flute, listeners still hear the resonance of "classical jazz." Dave, their mandolin player, is the newest member to steep in the Green Tea brew. He combines a librarian's knowledge of traditional music with dynamic improvisational skills. And, he is a "far out" dude, spending every waking moment (except during Packers games) pondering the mysteries of the cosmos, pausing now and then to teach astronomy and physics to college students. Their most diverse musician, his influences include Celtic, bluegrass, Brazilian, Eastern European, Middle Eastern, and Yiddish traditions. Green Tea's rhythm is provided primarily by Catherine's bodhran proficiency. Come see her break skin with this traditional Irish drum at any of their gigs. Catherine is deeply schooled in the tradition of bodhran playing; indeed, she is one of that instrument's great innovators. Catherine, a trained archeologist, is also their unofficial Celtic music librarian. Last and of course least remains Trevor, the percussive guitar-playing self-proclaimed fool-they call him brilliant (as in "brilliant fool"). He drives Green Tea's music with innovative chord progressions and rhythms that will make old tunes new again. A brilliant arranger, writer, and innovator, Trevor is the heart (well, the earlobe anyway) of the band. Green Tea released its first album All Ages in September of 2004. They can be found at: greenteaworldmusic.com

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