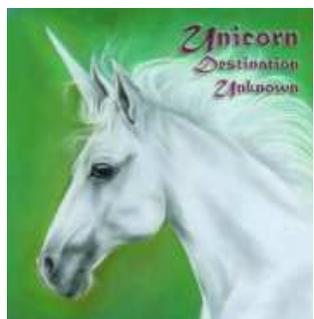
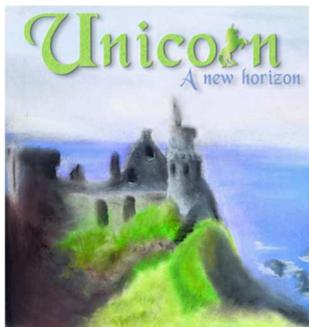


CD from UNICORN



Destination unknown
From 2016



A new horizon
From 2012

€ 15,- / cd

Our previous cd's "Still Travelling on" (2007)
en "Travelling Through" (2000) only available on
special request.



Backside: Martien, John
Front side: , Martine, Jolanda , Betty, Erna

YouTube : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=umteqpf30zM>



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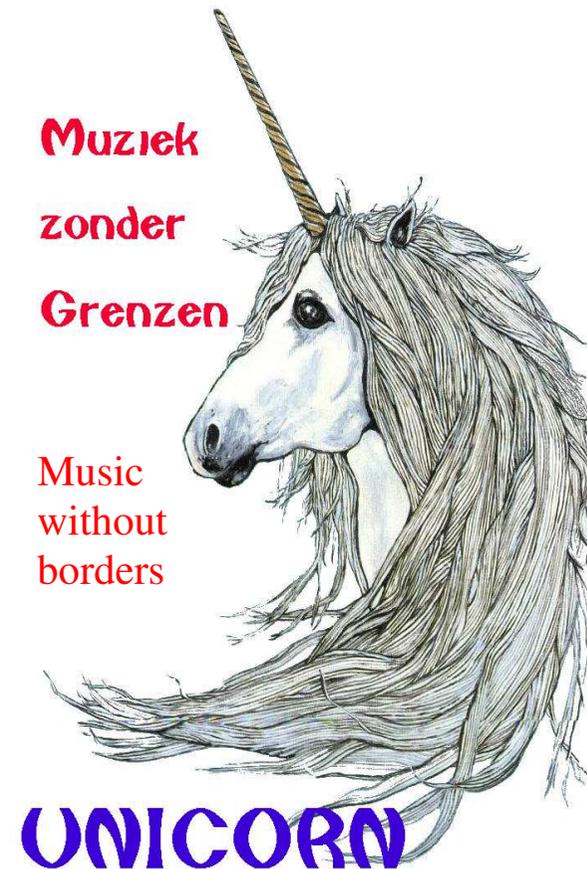
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**Muziek
zonder
Grenzen**

**Music
without
borders**



The Irish Swingfolkband UNICORN from the Netherlands consists of:

Jolanda Traarbach

Lead singer
Percussion

Betty Borstlap

Lead singer
Percussion

Martine Nijenhuis/Erna Sommer

Backing Vocals
Violin / Fiddle

John Kuiper

Lead singer
Guitar

Martien Tijburg

Accordion
Synthesizer/midi

*The band standard performs with four musicians.
(Guitar, accordion, violin, lead singer)*

*An extra lead singer and/or violin player is possible against
extra costs*

Unicorn is a very versatile (swing) folk band
Unicorns' wide interest in styles of music makes the band hard
to define.

Unicorn brings you an exciting and varied program with both
traditionals and dance songs as well as more contemporary
music. Even though the accent lies heavily (80 %) on Celtic
music the band also plays music from many different countries.
Variation is something she strongly believes in.

Unicorns' music is alive, atmospheric, invites you to join in
and gives the public the distinct feeling they are part of
something special.

Unicorns' repertory is very extensive: a mix of Celtic (Irish,
Scottish), Dutch and Flemish music, Yiddish songs and fiddle
music (Klezmer), Canadian and Bluegrass melodies, but even
Shanties and Gipsy songs in both Dutch and English and
beautiful Pop ballads are a frequently recurring element of her
shows.

The well-groomed teamwork and flashing mix of this
differentiation in styles guarantee several musical peaks.
An often heard comment is: "with Unicorn you are being
surprised time and again, which keeps the listener excited up to
the very last minute"!

Thanks to experience, skill discretion, musical capacity and the
extremely catching enthusiasm of the musicians, Unicorn will
transform each performance into a special occasion.

Because of her flexible disposition and the wide repertory,
Unicorn is well able to stand her ground at any event.

The result is that Unicorn can provide a multilayered
performance at a wide range of occasions such as receptions
weddings (theme), parties, coffee- and luncheon concerts, folk
clubs, theatres, festivals, etc.

Unicorn performs her music acoustically (sometimes seconded
by midi), but always amplified to the sound level of your
choice and possesses her own, professional public address-
installation.

This ensures the natural sound of the band, but also ensures
that unicorns' sound is heard throughout the venue. Unicorn is
a true live band; its strength lies in the bringing to life of the
music being performed.

Unicorn guarantees a swinging night or an evening of
breathtaking performance through her alternating and
surprising repertory.

Jolanda : has studied at conservatory .She is a professional
singer. After her study at conservatory she travelled to
Ireland and became obsessed by its beautiful culture which
made her to decide to live there and to make music.
In Ireland she produced her own cd with Irish musicians.
After two years she returned to the Netherlands again.
Her beautiful, clear and faultless voice is a heavenly pleasure
for the ears.

Betty : studied at conservatory too. She is a professional
singer.

She loves singing classic music but also was fascinated by
singing World music at high level. She did this in a group
called Lelemam consisting of 7 female singers, singing a
Capella (soefi- until Yiddish-Sephardic songs, African- till
Finnish and everything in between). When she met
UNICORN it was "a dream coming true" as she told us.
With her beautiful warm voice she sings the Unicorn songs
with full faith and expression.. Her full voice mixes excellent
with the voice of Jolanda.

Martine and Erna : studied both violins at conservatory.
Martine specialized in improvisation which enables her to
play the most beautiful improvisations spontaneously during
our performances. Erna is a stable violin player producing
beautiful full tones. Both violin players have a terrific
playing technique and outright pleasure for own
interpretation of Unicorn instrumentals.
Alone and together top-class!!

John: is a phenomenal guitar player and has proved this
already in the far folk-past. Together with the Englishman he
formed a famous pair playing own composed- and written
folksongs in the years 70/80. They produced together three
long-playing-records . John is "the king of the ballads", but
also discovered his voice to be excellent adjusted for
bluegrass music. And very important too: his humoristic
announcements bring the pleasant atmosphere to the highest
level.

Martien was, as it were, born with an accordion in his
hands. He played for many years in several folk groups and
choirs but since 1996 focused fully at UNICORN which he
grounded together with John..
Next to UNICORN he plays already 25 years at sea shanty
choir the Compagniezangers (together with John)
John and Martien are both auto didactic. What his ears hear,
his hands can play. A "jack of all trades" at the accordion.