

WILJALBA



WILJALBA – Singer/Songwriter from Berlin

Where is „Lost Valley“?

Wiljalba has been searching for his personal „Lost Valley“ for a long time. From this journey, there are many experiences to be sung and stories to be told. Wiljalba's first musical milestones were reached in 2017 with EP's „Blackbird“ and „Wild Strawberries“. From late summer 2018 we can accompany Wiljalba on his quest, as on August 31, the album „Lost Valley“ will be released on CD, vinyl and digital with 11 songs.

Back Then: Many decades ago, 'Wiljalba' was once a great magician and illusionist. A star in his profession. His name radiated in great splendor and he enjoyed international fame.

Today: Several generations later, David Frikell thought to bring the name of his ancestor back 'on the stage' - with a different kind of sorcery – music.

Now 'WILJALBA' stands for the catchy music and imagery rich lyric of Berlin singer/songwriter David Frikell. With influences from folk, country, blues & rock.

Each song tells a story. „Lost Valley“ takes you on a timeless and exciting emotional journey. It tells of mysterious events, places of longing and love. It attempts to convey the meaning of many small things and shed light on the hopeful, yet still uncertain, search for this metaphorical „Lost Valley“.



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This musical project has developed with the cooperation of Jamie Collier (friend, singer/songwriter and producer from New Zealand) and with the participation of a great number of good friends and musicians, whom David had met during previous musical works over the years.

„In the beginning, there were only my lyrics and a basic musical framework. I share some very personal stories and link many of the ideas that go into it with good friends. Making music alone is already nice, to play together with other people is often even better, and it is similar with the stories, for example; with experiences in traveling. It's great to climb a summit for the first time and to have a unique view from there.

To share this experience with friends, however, makes it last much longer. That is why I wanted to work together with as many people as possible.

One goal was that we should have a good time working, the result should please everyone involved. I am very happy today to say that this goal was fulfilled“.

David's music and stories are formed from a variety of musical influences. You can see that the musicians have had fun with the production process, have not adapted themselves to any guidelines or specifications and have simply let their creativity run wild.

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Honest music, plus a powerful and sensitive musician with a special voice are ingredients for a great performance. Wiljalbas warm stage presence, equally warm deep voice, strong melodies and at times, driving rhythms are special and appeal to people of many ages. Wiljalba brings a charming, handmade and varied performance to the stage - and now there is the possibility to experience WILJALBA's music live.

WILJALBA live: David often works as a soloist or as a duo with Jamie Collier where elements include; Guitar, banjo, mandolin, tea box bass, harmonica, Jew's harp, percussion, stompbbox and vocal harmonies... The duo also transforms into a trio or quartet with trumpet, percussion, bass, organ, violin, tin whistle... The cast varies and adapts to the occasion. Due to the large number of participating musicians on the record, there are also many exciting variations and possibilities for the live stage. ✨



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| 1. Blackbird | 3:55 | 7. Muse | 4:18 |
| 2. Lost Valley | 4:52 | 8. Bearded Cabman | 4:49 |
| 3. Spider, Tiger, Ghost | 4:16 | 9. Wild Strawberries | 4:41 |
| 4. Seagulls, Sheep & Cherry Trees | 4:46 | 10. The Iceman | 2:37 |
| 5. Shout & Blast | 4:30 | 11. Raise Your Glasses | 7:08 |
| 6. Sue Mysterious | 5:15 | | |

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