



# ERIN HARPE

## MEET ME IN THE MIDDLE

*"Easily Bonnie Raitt on modern performance enhancing drugs, Harpe is blues mama for our times."- Midwest Record*

**MEET ME IN THE MIDDLE** is the fourth VizzTone release from second-generation finger-style guitarist and singer **ERIN HARPE**, and her sixth release in the blues genre. Following up a trio of successful albums with her band, **Erin Harpe & the Delta Swingers**, Erin goes back to her roots in the country blues for this intimate acoustic album, self-produced and recorded in her home studio with husband/bass player **Jim Countryman** during the pandemic. Recently named 2019's *New England Blues Artist of the Year*, Erin grew up learning finger-style guitar from her dad, Neil Harpe, and Piedmont blues luminaries such as John Cephas & Phil Wiggins, John Jackson, and Warner Williams, at Washington DC's famed Archie's Barbershop. Erin has been recognized as *"the next star in the acoustic blues"* by TheCountryBlues.com, which recently wrote that *"Erin Harpe has it all... the skills as an exceptional guitar fingerpicker, the musical heritage and knowledge, a wonderful voice, great stage presence and star-quality good looks to boot."*

**MEET ME IN THE MIDDLE** was produced by **Erin Harpe** herself, and it shows off not only her deft fingerpicking and soulful natural vocals skills, but it also highlights her growing skills as a songwriter, arranger, and producer (the album marks Erin's 7th self-produced album). The album features 10 tracks, including four self-penned songs, and her own interpretations of traditional tunes and songs by blueswomen from Memphis Minnie to Lucille Bogan, with styles ranging from traditional country blues and slide guitar to folk, gospel and Zydeco. The stripped-down record features **Erin Harpe** on acoustic, slide and 12-string guitars and vocals, as well as kazoo and foot percussion, with ukulele bass and backing vocals provided by partner **Jim Countryman**, who also acted as co-producer and audio engineer.



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Title: Meet Me In The Middle

Label: VizzTone

Genre: Blues/Americana

Territory: Worldwide

Compact Disc - EcoWallet

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### TRACKS:

1. All Night Long
2. Hard Luck Woman
3. Meet Me In The Middle
4. Women Be Wise
5. I Hate That Train Called The M&O
6. Rollin And Tumblin
7. Pick Poor Robin Clean
8. When I Lay My Burden Down
9. What's The Matter With The Mill
10. One Fine Day

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