



KARIN BACHNER & THE POCKET BIG BAND

ELLA FOREVER

A TRIBUTE TO ELLA FITZGERALD



KARIN BACHNER – vocals
RICHARD OESTERREICHER – harp on „The Very Thought of You“
HERB BERGER – alto sax
TOBIAS HOFFMANN – tenor sax, arrangements
SIMON PLÖTZENEDER – trumpet, flugelhorn
ROBERT BACHNER – trombone, valve trombone, bass trombone
ROBERT SCHÖNHERR – piano
JOHANNES STRASSER – bass
WALTER GRASSMANN – drums



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Inspired by Ella Fitzgerald's 8 piece Band „Ella & Her Savoy Eight“, the Pocket Big Band was formed in 2016 by some of Austria's leading Jazz instrumentalists: players from the famous Vienna Art Orchestra, Austrian Big Band Legend Richard Oesterreicher and Jazz Festival Vienna Vocal Award Winner Karin Bachner.

Ella Fitzgerald recorded a series of Albums called The Songbook Recordings, including popular compositions by George Gershwin, Irving Berlin, Cole Porter, Rodgers & Hart, Duke Ellington and a host of other top composers.

These Big Band classics were then orchestrated for Ella by the top arrangers of the time like Nelson Riddle, Buddy Bregman, Billy May and Quincy Jones.

Karin Bachner & The Pocket Big Band are now breathing new life into these classic arrangements in an unmissable live experience.

Tobias Hoffmann, German tenorist and composer, adapted these orchestral masterpieces in a unique, elegant style. We can't wait for you to hear them!

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KARIN BACHNER WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANKS

To Ella Fitzgerald, who inspired me, and forever will be, my all-time favourite Jazz singer.
To my marvellous band, Richard, Robert B., Tobias, Herb, Simon, Robert S., Hans, Walter:
You really know how to swing!

To my husband Robert Bachner, my parents Hella & Kurt Ravelhofer and my sisters
Elke Ravelhofer & Ingrid Schwab for their loving care & enduring support!

To Gabi Zillner for supporting and promoting this band from day one!

To Tobias Hoffmann for the wonderful adaption of the original Ella big band charts
for this line up!

To everyone who participated in the making of this album: Iris Bachner, Maria Frodl,
Judit Fortelný, Frau Schneider, Michael Hill, Martin Klebahn and Reinhard Brunner!

To all you fans out there: enjoy this album and keep on swinging!

Karin Bachner uses Audio Technica microphones

Walter Grassmann plays Agner drumsticks, Bosphorus Cymbals, DW Hardware, Schagerl Snare Drums (Austria)

1. I'M BEGINNING TO SEE THE LIGHT 3:26
Duke Ellington/Johnny Hodges/Harry James/
Don George

2. THE VERY THOUGHT OF YOU
FEAT. RICHARD OESTERREICHER 2:36
Ray Noble

3. THE LADY IS A TRAMP 3:20
Richard Rodgers/Lorenz Hart

4. AIN'T MISBEHAVIN' 2:55
Fats Waller/Harry Brooks/Andy Razaf

5. A-TISKET, A-TASKET 2:53
Ella Fitzgerald/Van Alexander

6. ELLA'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE BLUES 3:38
Ella Fitzgerald/Hank Jones

7. BETWEEN THE DEVIL AND THE
DEEP BLUE SEA 2:16
Harold Arlen/Ted Koehler

8. LOVE IS HERE TO STAY 4:03
George & Ira Gershwin

9. AC-CENT-TCHU-ATE THE POSITIVE 3:41
Harold Arlen/Johnny Mercer

10. I'VE GOT MY LOVE TO KEEP ME WARM 2:54
Irving Berlin

11. NIGHT AND DAY 3:49
Cole Porter

12. MACK THE KNIFE 4:32
Kurt Weill/Bertold Brecht/Marc Blitzstein

13. TOO DARN HOT 3:36
Cole Porter

14. SOMETHING TO LIVE FOR 3:24
Duke Ellington/Billy Strayhorn

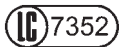
15. SOMETHING'S GOTTA GIVE 2:32
Johnny Mercer

16. WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD* 3:39
George D. Weiss/Bob Thiele

TOTAL TIME: 53:24

*one take no cuts, all voices sung by Karin Bachner

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