

"Willie and Me, Not your ordinary Jam Band" | Encore Magazine

For those of you who haven't heard, Willie and Me isn't your ordinary jam band. Each member of the four-man outfit brings his unique talent and various influences to the table, making for a sophisticated sound that delights in genre crossing. With a group of musicians from all over the East, the band's distinct sound bears a hint of Northern hip hop, Mississippi road house blues and North Carolina folk influences. Willie and Me combines the soulful attitude of blues with the rawness of Southern Rock, the sentimentality of folk and the vitality of funk and jazz.

With influences ranging from Frank Zappa and Willie Nelson, to Herbie Hancock and the Jackson 5, it's no wonder that their music varies so much in style. From improv jams to southern gospel and old school Motown, Willie and Me experiments with every kind of soul music.

The band's funky fusion of sounds lends itself to an energetic, hypnotic live performance. Paired with meaningful lyrics, Etheridge's soothing vocals will leave you moved in supple songs like "Nightlife" and make you sway your hips to lively and infectious tunes like "North Carolina."

With the release of their debut album Magic Show, Willie and Me is sure to see success on the horizon. - Encore Magazine



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