



MALIJA - Lockheart/Noble/Hoiby

Mark Lockheart - *Saxophones*

Liam Noble - *Piano*

Jasper Høiby - *Bass*

All highly respected and innovative bandleaders in their own right, this all-star trio brings together three of the most exciting jazz musicians/composers in the UK. Featuring original material by all three members, the trio's diverse influences include bluegrass, tango and old-fashion jungle grooves. It's hard to describe this music but perhaps Jasper put it brilliantly when he described the trio's music as "weird, simple, complicated, free, tight, floaty, ugly, beautiful and heartfelt depending on your mood".

Their first collaboration was back in 2009, when the three musicians recorded and toured with Mark Lockheart's acclaimed album 'In Deep', a record that brought these three musicians together as part of a quintet. Since then, each of them has developed a huge mutual respect and friendship, that to form a trio seemed the most logical and natural next step.

MALIJA has just recorded its debut album titled 'Malija' and the eleven eclectic tracks will be released on 27th November 2015 on the prestigious Edition label. The group will be undertaking a major UK tour early 2016.

All distinct artists on the European jazz scene in their own right, the three members of Malija have collectively performed and recorded with: Kenny Wheeler, John Pattitucci, Mark Anthony Turnage, Polar Bear, Django Bates, Norma Winstone, Peter Erskine, Larry Grenadier, June Tabor, Thomas Dolby, Andrew Manze, Mark Guiliana and Radiohead.



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