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Wouter Planteijdt is a singer, songwriter, guitarist, producer and much sought after 'gun for hire' in the Dutch music scene, especially loved and respected among fellow musicians. Together with bass player Thijs Vermeulen and drummer Richard Heijerman he sings and 'guitars' in the rock trio Sjakol. While recording their Page album for Turtle Records last year, somewhere between songs Wouter Planteijdt was loosely playing a Bobby Charles song. Singing alone -cigarette on the lower lip, little red wine waiting at his feet- with just his haunting electric guitar, it felt like a kick in the back of my knees. Unfortunately, we never got to record that song. Besides, it wouldn't fit on that particular album. But it did trigger the idea for this new recording. A little while later, Wouter and a nine-piece band of musician triends, toured as the W.S. Walcott Medicine Show, faithfully performing the music of The Band with the original Allen Toussaint horn-arrangements. These shows underlined Wouter's playing as well as his writing, as being well up in this corner of North American songwriting, a place situated somewhere between New Orleans and Big Pink.

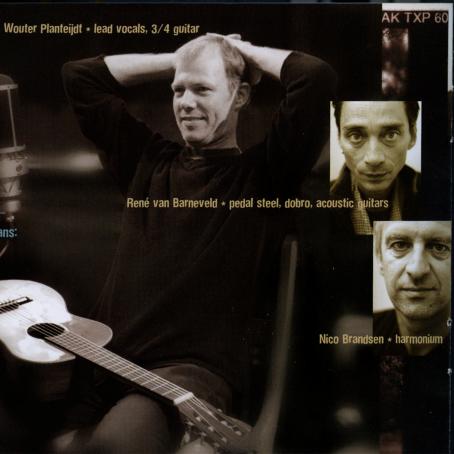
When asked to consider doing an acoustic album of small and beautiful songs, Wouter came up with this unusual line up, plus the Bobby Charles track, which was added to more or less related songs by Robbie Robertson, Dr. John, Loudon Wainwright III, Bob Dylan and of course himself. The idea was to employ a bunch of carefully selected, very capable musicians in an acoustic session and record it live and direct, no tricks, no dubs – just play. Apart from the pedal steel guitar that just has to be amplified, it turned out to be a very acoustic recording indeed. Sounds were sometimes invented on the spot for these arrangements which –in Wouter's words– were "made by those who played it". And why use a bass if you can get a tuba? Why a Hammond organ if you can find an old fashioned harmonium? Special sounds, special timbres, special colors, that is what this music is about. A snare drum made out of a djembé with just one guitar string on the skin; a (children's model) 3/4 Spanish guitar, some mandolins, a Dobro and even more guitars, and great voices. Together, these musicians operate as *Planteyal*, a variation on the bandleader's last name and as a whole, a truly striking extension to his very recognizable singing, playing and writing. Notice the chords, the changes, the voicing and melodies, the tongue in cheek humor or the candor, the grooves and downright beauty of these songs. Or leans Expect to be kicked in the back of the knees.

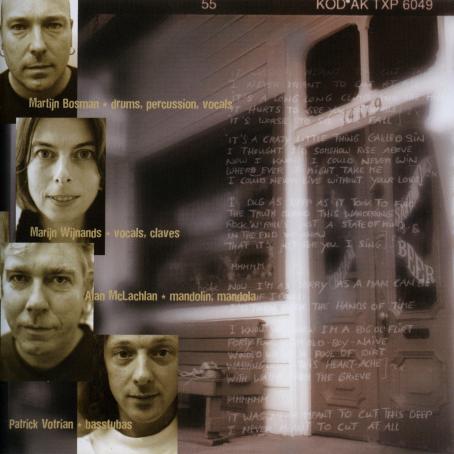
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I'll be seeing you,

Rob Becker









Recorded with - Microphones (active): Sonodore RCM 402;
Brauner VM1 tube microphone; Modified Neumann KM 150; Modified Sennheiser MKH30 - Microphone amplifiers: Rens Heijnis custom built - Converters: dCS 904 192kHz/24 bit & DD AD converters; dCS 914 192kHz & DD DA converters: dCS 974 samplerate / format converter for DDD downsampling - Loudspeakers: Avalon Professional Products-Mixing Monitor - Headphones: AKG K 1000 with custom built amplifier - DDD Recorder: Augan OMX 24 - DDD editing station: Pyramix / Merging Technologies - Amplifiers: Spectral DMC 20 / DMA 1505 - cables (Microphones & Interlinks): Siltech; MIT - Power cables: Siltech; FIM



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Assistant recording engineer: Michael van Polen

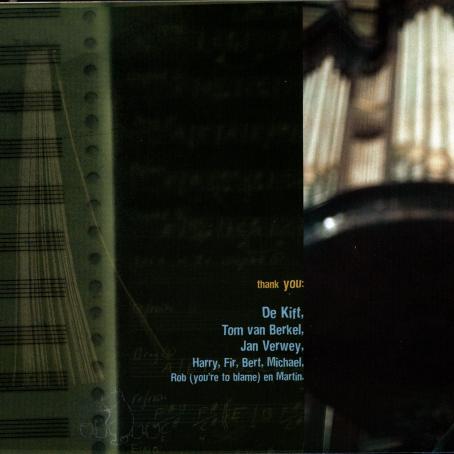
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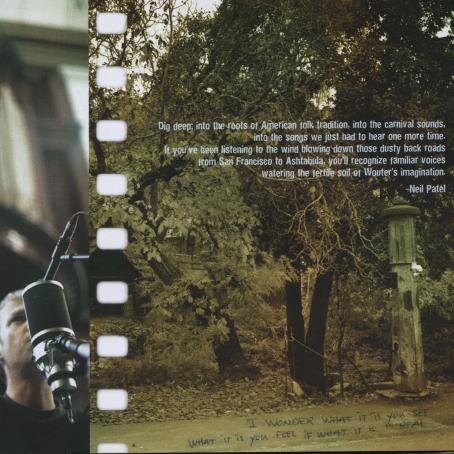
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Planteydt is:

René van Barneveld * pedal steel, dobro, acoustic guitars; Martijn Bosman * drums, percussion, vocals; Nico Brandsen * harmonium; Alan McLachlan * mandolin, mandola; Patrick Votrian * basstubas; Marijn Wijnands * vocals, claves; Wouter Planteijdt * lead vocals, 3/4 guitar

