

# Marco Antônio da Costa “Organ Trio”

“Marco Antonio da Costa Organ Trio” is the new ensemble led by the Brazilian guitarist, singer and composer, Marco Antonio da Costa. The Hammond Organ has enjoyed astounding resurgence and appreciation in the past 15 years or so. Musicians and audiences around the world have been “re-inspired” by its earthy, warm and bluesy tones. Inspired by the work of countless top Jazz musicians - especially guitarists - who’ve recorded and performed with organ and drums, Marco decided on this instrumentation, adding one extra challenge: to incorporate the Brazilian rhythmic idiom into this sound.

Even after living in Europe for the last 11 years, Marco Antonio da Costa’s compositions still possess a strong Latin-American foundation but are now blended with the rich harmonic language of Jazz. This can be a serious challenge for the organist, who has to hold down very specific bass lines with the left hand (or the pedals) while simultaneously playing rhythmic accompaniment patterns and solos with the right hand - creating the complex, yet infectious Brazilian grooves often unfamiliar to the average North American or European musician and listener.

Being aware of this challenge led Marco Antonio da Costa to illustrate the basic grooves by notating them very precisely. The difficult job of representing the responsibility of 2-3 band instruments at once fell to Fabian Supancic, a pianist and organist from Austria. Fabian contributes greatly to this music with his groovy feel and his knowledge of Jazz harmony



and Blues. Rounding out the band could be no more perfect choice other than Matheus Jardim from João Pessoa - Brazil, on drums. This exceptional 19 year old drummer is captivating everyone’s attention at the esteemed Jazz Academy in Graz, Austria for his virtuosity and inventiveness.

“Marco Antonio da Costa Organ Trio” blends exotic rhythms from Latin America with tasteful Jazz harmonies to create exciting and original songs arranged especially for the beloved, classic “Organ Trio” set-up.

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