

Mp3 Walkin' Jim Stoltz - Oh, What A Life

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Acoustic folk with fingerstyle guitar and Jim's deep-as-a-canyon voice. 10 MP3 Songs in this album (38:14) ! Related styles: FOLK: Traditional Folk, FOLK: Gentle People who are interested in John Denver John Stewart Richard Shindell should consider this download. Details: Music for those who love the wilderness and the natural world, this folk style Earth-music comes from Americas foremost backcountry troubadour. Oh, What a Life was recorded in front of a small, intimate audience in the spring of 1997 celebrating Walkin Jims 25th year of performing. Recorded at Lone Mountain Ranch in Big Sky, Montana, the performance captures the feel of Stoltzs smaller concerts. One of America's most unique folksingers and backcountry travelers, Walkin' Jim Stoltz, sings his songs with a definite sense of having been there. Indeed, he has. It all began innocently enough, walking the Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine. Then, after a year and a half spent walking from the Atlantic to the Pacific, folks just naturally started referring to him as "Walkin' Jim". What followed has been many years of annual long walks across the remaining wildlands of America including three different treks from Mexico to Canada and a Yellowstone to Yukon hike. It all adds up to well over 27,000 miles and dozens of songs, stories and photographs. Jim often carries a guitar and writes his songs as he walks through the wild places. His lyrics express a great love and respect for the Earth and the wilderness he knows so well. Known for his powerful baritone and emotion-packed vocals, he also spends part of each year touring (driving) across America performing his award-winning concert, Forever Wild. The show combines live music and poetry with stunning, multi-image slides. The mix of photographs and music results in a stirring celebration of wilderness. Stoltz is veteran of 30 years of performing and has been presented with the Environmental Protection Agency's, Outstanding Achievement Award for his sharing of nature and wilderness across America. Edward Abbey, the late author of many nature classics, described Stoltz as "a music man of exuberance and passion, with more to say in one song than Frank Sinatra ever managed in a whole bloody concert." Stoltz is a co-founder of Musicians United to Sustain the Environment (M.U.S.E.), a non-profit organization using music to raise funds for wilderness and wildlife protection efforts. M.U.S.E. has released three compilation recordings featuring various nationally known artists which are also for sale on

CD Baby. Mr. Stoltz.sings in a deep bass that sounds like a distant rapid in a canyon stream. His songs are paeans to nature - Kenneth H. Bacon, The Wall Street Journal He is a true advocate for wilderness values and really affects his audience, if one has any sensitivity to nature and the outdoors. The first time I had him here, I was struck by an adult male coming up to him afterwards and telling of the tears he had during, and as a result of, his presentation. He is asked back again and again by various national outdoor and environmental groups for their annual meetings. To my knowledge, there is no one in the country doing exactly what "Walkin' Jim" does, in his combination of original poetry, music and photographs in the service of wilderness advocacy. I confess that I own most of his CD's!! - Dr. Bob Ellinwood, Director, Fine Arts Series, Lynchburg College, VA (25 years)... It would be hard to find a better ambassador for wildlife and wild places. - Larry Dolphin, Jay C. Hormel Nature Center Austin, MN Recordings, Publications, and Awards Spirit Is Still On The Run - 1984 Forever Wild - 1987 The Whisper Behind The Wind - Poetry book, 1988 Listen To The Earth - 1989 A Kid For The Wild - Earth songs for children - 1990 Outstanding Achievement Award - from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency "For Sharing Nature And Wilderness With Others Across America Through Your Extraordinary Words, Images, And Music." - 1991 The Vision - 1992 Come Walk With Me - half hour film for children - 1994 The Web of Life - more Earth songs for kids - 1997 Oh, What A Life - a live recording celebrating 25 years of performing - 1997 The Long Trails - 1999 Walking With The Wild Wind Reflections of a Montana Journey book 2003 Little Piece of Time - 2004

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