# THE PRESS SAYS

"Going to a Ukrainians concert is like attending the mother of all parties"

"Intoxicating as icecold vodka knocked back in one!" MOJO

"I ended up taking this record to bed with me and now I'm going to have its children!" NME

"The Ukrainians blend the best of East and West with astonishing energy and staying power" R2

"traditional instruments alongside a rock solid rhythm section, going back to old recordings of Ukrainian country dances and melodies for inspiration"

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## **30 YEAR ANNIVERSARY TOUR!**

The Ukrainians serve up an intoxicating cocktail of traditional Ukrainian folk music and British post-punk indie pop!

**The Ukrainians**' unrelenting energy and cross-category appeal has meant that they have wowed audiences at more than a thousand festivals and clubs throughout Europe and North America over the last three decades, including both *Glastonbury* and *Womad* festivals in the UK.

As well as exploring the traditional Ukrainian folk repertoire **The Ukrainians** play Ukrainian language versions of Western pop songs, including their brilliantly danceable interpretations of classic tracks by Motorhead, The Smiths, Joy Division, The Sex Pistols and The Velvet Underground.

The Ukrainians have released a series of exhilarating live albums and a string of highly acclaimed studio albums culminating in last year's excellent Summer In Lviv.

### **Amazing facts:**

- \* The Ukrainians played to a hugely enthusiastic crowd of 75,00 people in Kiev's huge Independence Square as official VIP guests of Ukraine's Ministry Of Culture.
- \* One of The Ukrainians' sessions for the John Peel programme on the BBC was included in MOJO magazine's '20 Landmark Peel Sessions' alongside sessions by Pink Floyd, The Buzzcocks, Nirvana, Billy Bragg and Joy Division.
- \* The Ukrainians' music has been used as a wake up call for astronauts on the orbiting International Space Station.
- \* In Ukraine, many of the band's own songs have become standards and are to be found in the repertoires of music ensembles ranging from death metal bands to school choirs.

#### Album discography:

The Ukrainians (Cooking Vinyl 1991), Vorony (Cooking Vinyl 1992), Kultura (Cooking Vinyl 1994), Drink to my Horse! (Zirka 2001), Respublika (Zirka 2002), Live in Czeremcha (Zirka 2007), Diaspora (Zirka 2009), A History of Rock Music in Ukrainian (Zirka 2016), Summer In Lviv (Zirka 2019)

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