

### About John Hackett & Symbiosis

Flautist, guitarist, singer and composer John Hackett is best known for his superb flute-playing with his brother Steve Hackett, the former Genesis guitarist, and with the ambient group Symbiosis. The atmospheric recordings on Air & Grace showcase some of his best work from nine albums with Symbiosis and include examples of both their 'Zen' and spacious soundscapes and some gently melodic relaxing pieces penned by John and the group. The result is ideal for relaxation and holistic therapies and creatively blends influences and instruments from around the globe.



Here, sensitively playing a variety of flutes - and guitars on his compositions *Freefall* and *Pastures Green* - John is joined on this compilation by Clive Williamson (pictured right) and guitarist Richard Bolton.





Research has proved its ability to lower the heartbeat rate and hence reduce stress.

To find out more about music by Symbiosis and John Hackett, visit: www.symbiosis-music.com and hacktrax.co.uk or search for 'symbiosis' on iTunes or Spotify.

# Air & Grace

Lautist, guitarist, singer and composer John Hackett is well-known for his superb flute-playing as a solo performer; with his brother Steve Hackett (the former Genesis guitarist); and as a founder-member of the U.K.'s ambient group Symbiosis.

ir & Grace showcases some of his best work with Symbiosis for relaxing listening and holistic therapies, which creatively blends influences and instruments from around the globe.

- 1. Song of the Peach Tree Spring
- 2. Nimbus (Air & Grace)
- 3. Dancing With the Dawn
- 4. Pastures Green
- 5. Lakeside
- 6. Freefall
- 7. The Beauty Within
- 8. Golden Light from the Sea
- 9. Jasmine and Rose

- 10. Snake Charmer
- 11. The Stars, Like Dust...
- 12. Sacred Space
- 13. The Golden Temple
- 14. The Heron & the Sandpiper

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- 15. Red
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## Air & Grace

- 1. Song of the Peach Tree Spring by John Hackett
  Joyful flute improvisation.
- 2. Nimbus (Air & Grace)

  by John Hackett & Clive Williamson

  Gentle voyage of discovery for concert flute
  and ambient keyboards
- 3. Dancing With the Dawn
  by John Hackett & Clive Williamson
  Light and airy improvisation for alto flute
  with Balinese marimba
- 4. Pastures Green

  by John Hackett

  Harmonious tune for gentle guitar and flute
  in a pastoral setting.
- Lakeside
   by John Hackett & Clive Williamson
   Gentle flute with bird-calls and ambient keyboards.
- 6. Freefall
  by John Hackett
  Wistful melody and guitar in a classical style.
- 7. The Beauty Within

  by Richard Bolton, John Hackett &
  Clive Williamson

  Serene duet for acoustic guitar and flute.

- 8. Golden Light from the Sea by John Hackett & Clive Williamson
  Lilting flute with dreamy keyboards.
- Jasmine and Rose
   by John Hackett & Clive Williamson
   Autoharp and flute play in harmony, with a
   backdrop of calm sea wash.
- 10. Snake Charmer

  by John Hackett & Clive Williamson

  Slow, mesmerizing flute and frame-drum
  weave an Eastern tapestry of sound.
- 11. The Stars, Like Dust... by John Hackett & Clive Williamson Atmospheric flute journey.
- 12. Sacred Space

  by John Hackett & Clive Williamson

  Timeless, meditative music featuring bass
  flute and floating ambient soundscapes.
- 13. The Golden Temple by John Hackett Life-affirming melody for bamboo flute with far-Eastern drums and cymbals.
- 14. The Heron & the Sandpiper by John Hackett & Clive Williamson
  Zen-inspired flute duet for Clive's Indian
  Bansuri and John's concert flute.

## by John Hackett & Symbiosis

#### 15. Red

by John Hackett & Clive Williamson

Slow, sensual and grounding dance with bass
flute and frame drum.

#### 16. Sun on the Water

by Richard Bolton & John Hackett
Alto flute and guitar conjure up a sense of
tranquillity and space.

#### 17. Gold

by John Hackett & Clive Williamson
Bright and pure duet for flute and hammer
dulcimer with an Oriental flavour.

This music first appeared on the following albums by Symbiosis...

Track 1	Song of the Peach Tree Spring
2, 5 & 14	Touching the Clouds
3,7,8,9 & 16	Amber & Jade
4 & 13	Autumn Days
6	Lake of Dreams
12	The Comfort Zone
10 & 11	Lake of Dreams
15 & 17	Sea of Light
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#### Musicians:

John Hackett: Concert, alto, bass and bamboo flutes; guitar; keyboards on Tracks 4 & 6.
Clive Williamson: Keyboards, autoharp, Indian Bansuri flute, Balinese marimba, frame drums, mark tree, cymbals, darbuka and whistling.

**Richard Bolton:** Guitars on Tracks 7, 15 & 16.

#### Production:

Production, Sound Engineering, Photography and Graphic Design by Clive Williamson.
Tracks 4, 6 and 13 produced by John Hackett and Clive Williamson.
Photo of John & Clive by Nora Correa Jimenez.
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This album is dedicated to John's father Peter and Clive's father Ralph.

