

What actually is Home, anyway?

“Winter Wilson just get better and better, whatever they do.”

Dai Jeffries, RnR Magazine

“There simply isn’t a weak song in their already-extensive collection”

David Kidman, The Living Tradition

All couples will have their differences of opinion, but how often will such differences lead to the composition of a new song, and then a whole album?

Dave Wilson and Kip Winter have very different backgrounds – his in a small Lincolnshire market town and hers in an itinerant forces family, living in four separate countries by the age of six. Thus each had their own concept of “home”. When Dave said “Surely home is where you’re born and bred?” Kip’s reply, “I haven’t got one of them,” set him thinking.

The result of that thought is the title song of this new album from Winter Wilson and, as fans of this prolific duo might expect, the theme is of loss and migration but ultimately of love.

But this is by no means a downbeat album. In twelve new songs, Winter Wilson once again share their outlook on humanity and the world we live in as well as some parts of their own family histories.

The song themes are as varied as the musical styles, which range from “trad folk” to blues and Americana via the perhaps more mainstream contemporary singer-songwriter.

And once again they also share not only their natural, stunning harmonies and great musicianship, but also the writing credits, with Kip contributing the final song – The Ballad of Little Mary, the story of her maternal grandfather’s relationship with the child he adopted.



What the press said about The Passing of the Storm

“Twelve all-new songs that stand ready to cement their already enviable reputations both as performers and songwriters.”

Johnny Whalley, FolkRadio.co.uk

“If there was any lingering doubt that Dave Wilson is one of our leading songwriters, The Passing Of The Storm surely dispels it.”

Roger Williams, Folk & Blues Radio

“Very much a document of our times... Dave Wilson’s best songs are those rooted in truth and The Passing of the Storm is packed with them.”

Dai Jeffries, RnR Magazine

After their “release” from lockdown, Winter Wilson were delighted to be back in demand not only across the UK, but also worldwide, promoting their critically-acclaimed 2021 album *The Passing of the Storm*.

2023/24 has seen the pair return to Europe, Canada and New Zealand and also complete their third (and biggest yet) tour of Australia.

“We genuinely didn’t know if we’d ever get back to touring like we used to,” said Kip. “But it’s been amazing. It must be the best feeling in the world when an audience completely gets what you’re trying to convey and sings along.”

Dave continues, “I wasn’t sure I’d ever really get back to writing either. I’d done a few bits, but we’d been so busy and I just couldn’t seem to find a route in.”

Then came the “home” conversation, and the song followed close behind, but more songs were hard to come by, until Dave was asked to write for a lottery-funded community project on the subject of “collapse and renewal”.

“Three songs came really quickly, of which two (*Where E'er the Winds Might Blow* and *Hitch Up the Wrecking Ball*) are included on this album, and then it was like the shackles were off.” The songs came thick and fast, and *Home* is the result.

And so once again Winter Wilson are hitting the road in their trusty campervan Tallullah.

2025 will see them playing across the UK, Ireland and Germany, with possibly a third tour of Canada in the offing too.

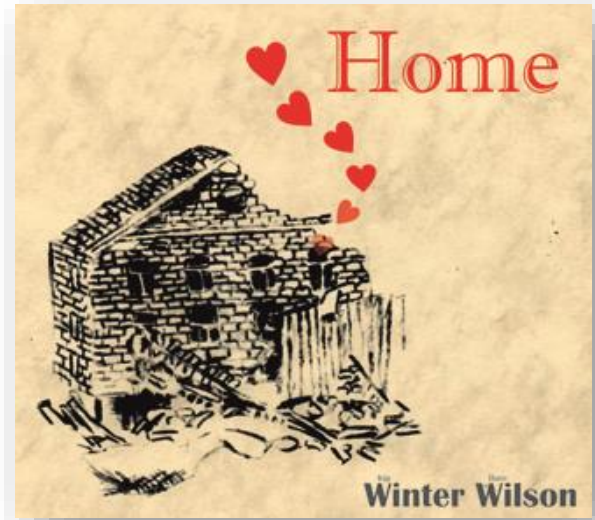
Kip told us, “We’ve toured Western Canada a couple of times and done a bit in the centre, and we’ve always been really well received there, but we’ve never played the East of the country, and it’s looking promising.”

Whatever happens it looks like 2025 will be another busy year for this talented pair.

And long may it continue!

Just as long as Dave, Kip and Tallullah are happy to bring their songs and humour to audiences around the world, they will be more than welcome!

Home is officially launched on 2nd January 2025. Pre-orders will soon be available on www.winterwilson.com and all major download and streaming sites. Details of where to see Winter Wilson are also available at www.winterwilson.com/dates.



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Winter Wilson are:

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