

Winter Wilson Biography – November 2024

Known as “one of the hardest-working duos on the UK folk scene” (Mike Harding, 2018), Winter Wilson have entranced audiences worldwide since becoming full-time musicians in 2012. In recent years they have completed multiple tours of Australia, New Zealand and Canada, as well as the UK and Europe.

Kip Winter (vocals, flute, piano accordion, guitar) “simply has a voice to die for” (John Roffee, Maverick Magazine), whilst Dave Wilson (vocals, guitar, banjo) is now widely recognised as one of the UK’s very best contemporary folk and blues songwriters, with his songs sung in folk clubs the world over.

With ten critically-acclaimed albums in their back-catalogue, the couple have recently released number eleven, “Home”. As ever, there are songs of love, loss and social comment, but the tone is ultimately uplifting. And also as ever, there are the stunning harmonies and superb musicianship that the couple’s many fans have come to love.

In live performance Kip & Dave present their sublime music with passion, punctuated between the songs with real natural humour. Nothing is off limits – they are a couple in life as well as on stage, and it shows.

Early reviews for “Home”

“An important addition to the repertoire of British duo Kip Winter and Dave Wilson.... “Home” shows that Winter Wilson have grown stronger than ever.... By any standard, “Home” is among the best folk CDs of the last 12 months.”

Tony Smith Trad & Now Magazine (Australia)

“Twelve tracks of absolute gorgeousness!.... They are absolutely at the top of their game.”

Tim Walker, BBC Radio Lincolnshire

“This is a very fine suite of new songs, often rooted in the lives of real people dealing with near impossible situations and delivered beautifully by one of our finest musical partnerships..... a cracking album which can only enhance Winter Wilson's reputation as one of the stand-out musical partnerships on the folk scene”

Roger Williams Serenade Radio UK

Reviews for “The Passing of the Storm”

“The latest album by Winter Wilson (Dave and Kip to their friends) is very much a document of our times. For me, Dave Wilson's best songs are those rooted in truth and The Passing of the Storm is packed with them.”

RnR Magazine

“This is an album that is sure to please.”

Living Tradition

“A set of twelve all-new songs that stand ready to cement their already enviable reputations both as performers and songwriters...an unmissable album.”

Folk Radio UK

“Together they deliver a record full of character.”

Maverick Magazine

Live reviews

“A masterclass in songwriting and harmony singing.”

Debs Earl, F.I.B. Promotions

“Kip Winter's outstanding vocal talents and Dave Wilson's stunning abilities as a songwriter, composer, guitarist and singer welded seamlessly to produce a most memorable evening.”

John Waltham, Living Tradition Magazine

“Dave and Kip of Winter Wilson were a delight to share with a Vancouver BC audience for the first time. Beautiful voices, exceptional songwriting, and utterly endearing performances from these two charming and engaging artists. I loved watching the audience fall in love with them!”

Shari Ulrich (Canada), Multi Juno Award Winner

"Fabulous voices, fabulous harmonies, singing fabulous songs and to top it off an entertaining and often very humorous presentation - how can you go wrong? Winter Wilson were unquestionably one of the finest and most polished acts we've ever had here in Humph Hall and that puts them in some very illustrious company indeed!"

Wayne Richmond Humph Hall, Sydney Australia

"Great songs that are beautifully crafted and sung, accompanied by fine musicianship and built on acclaimed, all-round musical talent."

Cec Bucello, Trad & Now Magazine, Australia

YouTube

[WW playlist](#)

[First to Fall](#) *Beardy Fest 2020*

[Ghost live at The Union Chapel](#). *"Wilson's songs pull no punches when relating to the sights and sounds of everyday local life, and are complemented by Kip's powerful and emotional voice."* *The Telegraph*

[It'll Take a Long Time \(Featuring Fairport Convention\)](#) *"It's a privilege to be a part of this beautiful album"* *The Fairports*.

[Weary Traveller](#) *"Winter Wilson have landed another right on the bridge of the nose, this is not an album that is easy to ignore"* *Neil King Fatea Magazine*

[Tried & Tested](#) *"A superb album of well crafted songs"* *Penny Black Music*.

[Far Off on the Horizon \(official video\)](#) *"Everything that defines folk music and what makes it great"* *Barry Hammond, Penguin Eggs Magazine, Canada*.