

FOLK SONGS OF GUANGXI

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This series explores China's rich and diverse musical heritage. The songs featured in this recording are folk songs of four of the minority ethnic groups of Guangxi province – Zhuang, Bouyei, Mulao and Maonan. As with Chinese traditional visual arts, the song titles explain their mood and origin.

ZHUANG

- [1] Guo Shan Qiang (Napo folk song) 1:27
- [2] Sui Min Tune Verse 1 1:53
- [3] Sui Min Tune Verse 2 1:50
- [4] Sui Min Tune Verse 3 1:50
- [5] Zhuang Love Song 1 2:35
- [6] Zhuang Love Song 2 1:55
- [7] The Steelyard with the Sliding Weight 2:01
- [8] The Stars and the Moon 1:05
- [9] Today is a Good Day 1:54
- [10] It's Been a Long Time Since You Came Around 1:12
- [11] Zhuang Love Song 3 (Duet) 2:10

BOUYEI

- [12] Wandering Song 1:04
- [13] Hesitation 2:07
- [14] Gathering Joy 1:26
- [15] Passing Down Traditions 1:03
- [16] Remembering Bouyei Songs 2:07
- [17] Learning to Sing 2:01
- [18] A Bouyei Toasting Song 0:36

- [19] A Bouyei Labour Song 1:29
- [20] A Bouyei Song to Welcome Guests 1:22
- [21] A Bouyei Welcome Toast 2:07
- [22] Bouyei Nuo Opera Excerpt 1 1:31
- [23] Bouyei Nuo Opera Excerpt 2 1:04
- [24] Bouyei Nuo Opera Excerpt 3 1:12

MULAO

- [25] December Love Song 1:15
- [26] An Opening Song (Take My Boredom Away) 1:31
- [27] An Opening Song (Spring Comes) 1:27
- [28] An Opening Song (Sing a Song Regardless of the Words) 1:28
- [29] Watching Flowers Grow 2:47
- [30] Opening Celebrations for a Joyous Event 1:20
- [31] The Inquiry (Duet) 3:42
- [32] No Able Men at My Side 1:20
- [33] I Join the Troupe 1:13
- [34] The Encounter (Part 1) 1:23
- [35] The Encounter (Part 2) 1:22

- [36] A Mulao Love Song 3:14

MAONAN

- [37] A Five-Word Song (Bi Dan tune) 3:15
- [38] A Seven-Word Song (I See a Boy Passing by My House) 1:36
- [39] A Five-Word Joy Tune (We are Both Old) 1:26
- [40] The Pledge of Love (Gold Line Tune) 1:04
- [41] Shua Diao (Playing Tune) 1:01
- [42] Bi Nong Ne 1:08
- [43] Huan Zao Diao (Joyful Morning Tune) 1:06
- [44] Sending Flowers (Liu Lang Lei) 0:52
- [45] Pray for Blessings from God (Fei Tao ritual song) 1:13
- [46] A Song of Praise (Fei Tao ritual song) 0:54
- [47] A Toast to the Deities (Fei Tao ritual song) 1:32

TOTAL PLAYING TIME: 78:08

Yang Guijin [1-4, 8] • Wei Xiufeng [2-5, 10] • Bi Yuxian [6, 9] • Luo Jingchao [7, 11] • Zeng Xianping [7, 11]
 He Guochang [12, 15, 20] • He Nianwei [12, 15, 20] • He Lanjuan [13, 14] • He Guimi [13, 14] • Villagers from Jiangfeng Village [16, 18, 21]
 He Houfei [17, 19] • He Meishuang [17, 19] • He Xinghui [22-24] • Unknown artists [22-24, 37-44, 47] • Wu Daiqun [25-26, 30-36]
 Wu Chunguang [25-26, 30-36] • Wu Huanmei [27-29, 31] • Wu Xiuping [27-29, 31] • Tan Sangang [45-46]

Tracks [1-11] Recorded: July 2011, Recording Location: Tunlun Village, Napo County, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China

Tracks [12-24] Recorded: June 2011, Recording Location: Jiangfeng Village, Libo County, Qiannan Bouyei and Miao Autonomous

Prefecture, Guizhou Province, China • Tracks [25-36] Recorded: June 2011, Recording Location: Luocheng Mulao Autonomous

County, Hechi City, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, China • Tracks [37-47] Recorded: July 2011,

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