



The TUNES

BRIGHT YELLOW SUN

SUMMER COMES EARLY THIS YEAR

"Power Pop", "Sunshine Pop", "Psychedelic Pop" - call it what you like. These are among a few of the phrases used to describe the sound of classic 60's West Coast pop music.

The songs on The Tunes debut album "Bright Yellow Sun" is pure "Rick Pop" (as in **Rick Nielsen** playing a Rickenbacker guitar!) These 11 songs showcase the art of writing finely crafted pop songs.

The Tunes never really did plan on being a band. Some things just happen by sheer accident.

The band's American bass player **Rikki London**, (who has played in the past with folks like **Johnny Thunders**, **Sky Saxon**, etc.) wanted to honour the late **George Harrison** and called the cream of the Helsinki pop scene to play Harrison's songs at a charity concert in their hometown.

After a successful gig, and hating to see the party end too soon, these Harrison-fans started writing songs together in their spare time and ended up recording an album's worth of songs at drummer **Heikki Tikka's** (**Hearthill**, **The Krispies** etc) rehearsal room.

The Tunes line-up also includes Knipi (known mostly for his guitar playing and songwriting duties in the platinum-selling Finnish power pop combo **Egotrippi**) who sings and plays guitar, as well as **Markus Nordenstreng** (chief songwriter/singer/guitarist for "**The Latebirds**") who strums his 12-string Rickenbacker and sings.

The Tunes also got help from some cool people including: **Pekka Gröhn** (one of the busiest & best organ players in Scandinavia), **Wilco** bassist **John Stirratt** (who lent a hand at writing one of the album's tracks), **Lemonator's** **Lasse Kurki** (who mixed the album), **Jiri Nikkinen** (singer/guitarist for **The Clifters**) and **Skele** (lead guitarist of **Egotrippi**)

So ladies and gentlemen, now that you know a thing or two about the band, may I suggest you now turn up your stereo, sit back, and enjoy these fine tunes.

BRIGHT YELLOW SUN IS THE SOUNDTRACK OF SUMMER 2005

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