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(English Translation)

Take a large kettle in which you mix gypsy jazz music with country, jazz and rockabilly, stir well and let it simmer for about 42 minutes on a fire. This recipe results in a jar of "gypsybilly" that can be heard here on an excellent roots and Americana plate from the Los Angeles-based duo "The Vignatis". Those are French singer-guitarist Fabrice Vignati who comes from Aix-les-Bains in the French Alps and his American partner Tracy Vignati who sings and plays on clarinet and piano.

Twelve completely self-composed songs were bundled on the album "Let's Hit the Road", the third album in the trilogy "Gypsybilly" as evidenced by the subtitle "Volume 3". The titles of the predecessors were "Birth Of The Gypsybilly" from 2009 and "Birth Of The Gypsybilly Vol. 2" from 2012.

The lyrics of "The Vignatis" deal with the things that are important in life: having fun, love, relationship problems, learning life lessons and contributing to a sustainable world peace. Tracy and Fabrice are members of the "International Committee of Artists for Peace" led by, among others, actor Patrick Duffy and musicians Carlos Santana, Wayne Shorter and Herbie Hancock. That organization wants to contribute to peace in this world through the creation of art.

The ultimate goal of "The Vignatis" is to bring a broad smile to everyone's face with subtle humor through "gypsybilly" songs. The album opener "Let's Hit the Road", which can be heard on the video in a live performance, succeeds immediately in our opinion. In the subsequent songs "Tour Eiffel" and "Hollywood", but also in the later songs "Franco-American" and "L.A." the duo takes the listeners to their original cultural backgrounds in France and America. Even the most terrible French torture of all time is here sung without a problem by "The Vignatis" in the song "La Guillotine" accompanied by a "two-step" accordion tune.

Those who love the rockabilly sound of 'Stray Cats', but also appreciate a gypsy guitar tune from Django Reinhardt or a nice swinging country rocker like "The Little Things You Do" will undoubtedly find their way in the twelve tracks on this cheerful sounding album "Let's Hit The Road" from "The Vignatis". And meanwhile rest assured that there will be a 'Gypsybilly Vol 4' of this duo is coming.

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"The Vignatis' are a French/American duo consisting of Fabrice and Tracy Vignati. They have been stewing a melting pot of rockabilly music with influences from gypsy jazz and country on their album 'Let's Hit the Road', the third record in their Gypsybilly-trilogy. To be continued...!"—
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