

USA: NEW RELEASE: Mark Doyle Watching The Detectives: Guitar Noir III

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Track Listings w/composer credit and track time:

- 1) DETECTIVES MEDLEY 5:05
 - a) Watching The Detectives (Costello)
 - b) Get Smart (Szathmary)
 - c) The Untouchables (Riddle)
- 2) KOJAK THEME (Goldenberg) 3:29
- 3) The MAN FROM U.N.C.L.E. (Goldsmith) 3:32
- 4) LOST LETTER (Previn) 3:23
- 5) JOHNNY STACCATO (Bernstein) 3:12
- 6) AMERICA DRINKS (Zappa) 5:25
- 7) THIRTEEN CRIMES (Doyle) 4:29
- 8) NOIR ALLEY (Doyle) 4:27
- 9) IT TAKES A THIEF (Grusin) 4:33
- 10) EVERYTIME (Cole) 3:11

Mark Doyle - guitars, keyboards, bass and drum programming
Josh Dekaney -drums and percussion
Ally Brown, Shelby Dems, Jonathan Hwang, and Joe Davoli -violins
Kate LaVerne - cello
Strings arranged and conducted by Mark Doyle

20 years after the release of the original critically-acclaimed Guitar Noir album in 1999, guitarist/arranger/producer Mark Doyle revisits the series with a tip of the fedora to the seedy underworld populated by detectives and spies. Doyle says, "Once I settled on the concept, I started hunting down any and all of the TV and movie themes having to do with detectives and spies, while trying to avoid obvious ones like "Peter Gunn," which has been done to death, and "Perry Mason," which I had already recorded on the first Guitar Noir album. I ended up choosing the themes that were most melodic and dramatic, since melody is to me the most important thing in an instrumental album. I uncovered some absolutely amazing music: Nelson Riddle's "The Untouchables," Elmer Bernstein's "Johnny Staccato" and Dave Grusin's "It Takes a Thief" are only three examples. When I ran out of things that moved me, I had to write two pieces that hopefully fulfill the criteria and stay true to the genre."

The album also contains two pieces outside of the concept - Frank Zappa's "America Drinks and Goes Home" (arranged as a ballad) and Louis Cole's "Everytime." These were the first two pieces recorded before the Detectives concept had been finalized, and Doyle felt that they were too strong to let go of.

Mark Doyle has had a distinguished career in the music business since his first band, Jukin' Bone, was signed to RCA while Mark was in his late teens. He's gone on to make records as guitarist or producer with David Werner, Cindy Bullens, Andy Pratt, Leo Sayer, Hall & Oates, Judy Collins, Meat Loaf, Bryan Adams, and Mary Fahl and has provided string arrangements for numerous recordings by the likes of New Kids On The Block, The Cavedogs, The Stylistics, and Tiffany. He currently leads his own band, Mark Doyle & The Maniacs, who have released six albums and play consistently throughout the Northeast, and tours as Music Director/guitarist/pianist for former October Project singer Mary Fahl.

- Praise for Mark Doyle's first Guitar Noir -
"Bridging the gap between soundtracks, jazz and rock is no easy task, yet in the hands of Mark Doyle & Co., the results are engaging and often spectacular."
- Robert Silverstein, 20th Century Guitar

"Doyle lays down some nasty notes and tones. A gorgeous cover of "When I Fall In Love" shows him to be master of volume swells and sweet, stinging sustain."
- John Heidt, Vintage Guitar

"By fearlessly venturing into musical territory that is surely foreign to many of his peers, Doyle has notched an impressive artistic achievement."
- Russ Tarby, Syracuse New Times

- Praise for In Dreams: Guitar Noir II -
"It doesn't get much better than this. A great idea and perfect execution make this the latest in a long line of fine instrumental albums from Doyle. He produced the CD, played all the instruments, and came up with a great concept that works from the first track through cut 11." John Heidt, Vintage Guitar

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