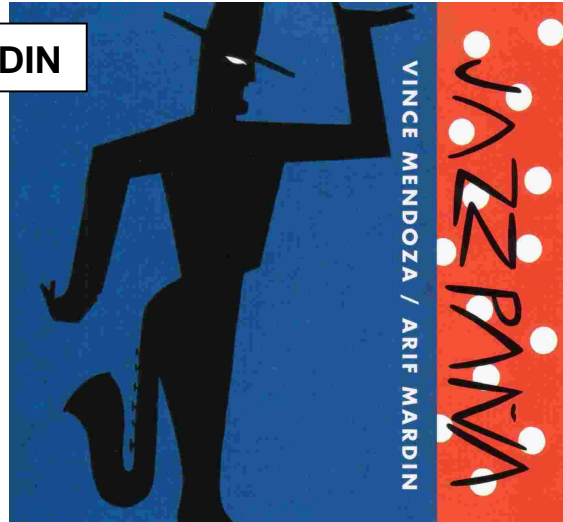


ACT**VINCE MENDOZA / ARIF MARDIN****Jazzpaña
ACT 9212-2**

LC 07644

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"**JAZZPAÑA**, the most ambitious recording project ever undertaken by **Siggi Loch** in a most active and extensive music business career, fuses American jazz and the flamenco music of Andalusia in a most imaginative, adventurous, and inspirational way. **JAZZPAÑA** is a showcase for the special compositional and arranging skills of Arif Mardin and Vince Mendoza, for the impeccable and dynamic section work of the WDR Big Band, for the exotic, extrovert artistry of Ramon El Portugues and Los Jovenes Flamencos, and for the assured and articulate playing of top jazz guest players Michael Brecker, Al Di Meola, Steve Khan, and Peter Erskine. Furthermore, **JAZZPAÑA** reveals Vince Mendoza as a composer and arranger of immense talent and imagination. This music inevitably prompts comparism with the classic Gill Evans - Miles Davis collaboration of 1959, Sketches of Spain. ...but Mendoza has his own individual identity, approaching the task of composing and arranging rather like a painter creating a landscape of canvas."

Nominated for two GRAMMY AWARDS in 1994.

The CD:

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Line Up:

WDR BIGBAND directed by Vince Mendoza:

saxophones, flutes, clarinets:

Heiner Wiberny, Harald Rosenstein, Olivier Peters, Rolf Römer, Steffen Schorn

trumpets, flugelhorns:

Andy Haderer, Rob Bruynen, Klaus Osterloh, Rick Kiefer, John Marshall

trombones:

Dave Horler, Ludwig Nuss, Bernt Laukamp, Roy Deuwall

piano, keyboards: Frank Chastenier

violoncelli: Michael M. Kasper, Rainer Lange, Albert Jung, Uwe Schmeisser, Gerhard Szperalski

french horns: Andrew Joy, Rainer Jurkiewicz, Andre van Driessche

tuba: Hans Nickel

Guests:

Michael Brecker tenor saxophone

Al Di Meola electric guitar

Peter Erskine drums

Dieter Ilg bass

Steve Khan electric guitar

Freddie Santiago percussion

Los Jovenes Flamencos

Ramon "El Portugues": cantaor / vocal

Juan Manuel Cañizares: flamenco guitar

Jorge Pardo : flute, soprano and tenor saxoph.

Carles Benavent: bass guitar and mandola

Rubem Dantas: palmaprano and tenor saxophone

Carles Benavent: bass guitar and mandola

Rubem Dantas: palmas, cajón and tinaja

Joselin Vargas: palmas and cajón

Paco "El Americano": palmas

ACT**Vince Mendoza / Arif Mardin****Tracks:**

1. EL VITOCANTE
(Benavent - Cañizares - Pardo - Suarez - Dantas - Bautista) 3:44
2. TANGOS (Vince Mendoza) 8:38
3. ENTRE TINIEBLAS (Jorge Pardo - Antonio Carmona) 5:30
4. TANGUILLO (Vince Mendoza) 7:46
5. SOY GITANO (Monje - Torres - Amigo) 4:49
6. BULERIA (Vince Mendoza) 9:31
7. SUITE FRATERNIDAD First Movement Generalife (Arif Mardin) 4:50
8. SUITE FRATERNIDAD Second Movement Albacin (Arif Mardin) 8:22
9. EL VITO EN GRAN TAMAÑO
(Vince Mendoza - based on the traditional song) 9:19

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