

Dave Knowles is an unfailingly intimate, passionate and powerful performer. In his 18 years on the guitar Dave has developed a unique percussive fingerstyle technique with tones of Jose Gonzalez and Nick Drake. Over this intricate guitar work his vocals weave a landscape of jaggered peaks and labyrinth valleys. Buckley meets Cobain. Meets Dave Knowles.

On New Year 2005, armed with his first acoustic guitar and a hunger for music, Dave left his band in Manchester to begin his own journey. On the streets of London Azren Azimudden's frenetic percussive guitar exploded all his ideas of the instrument's possibilities.

In his subsequent years of study in Grahamstown Knowles expanded and refined his style in gigs, jams, late-night beatbox sessions with freestyle poets, psychadelic improv rock bands and generally making music by whatever means necessary.

With a unique style and strong delivery Knowles became a regular name on line-ups, sharing stages with artists from Gary Thomas and Guy Buttery, to Dan Patlansky and Albert Frost. Upon leaving Rhodes, Dave had a fiery quiver of songs, a deep passion for performance and a road leading West.

Since joining the thriving Cape Town folk scene Knowles has become a firmly established artist with a reputation as a powerful and professional performer. With his debut studio album on the way, and a summer of touring ahead, 2015 is looking explosive.

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