

New Orleans Spice

Jazz Band

Direct from New Orleans:

The New Orleans Spice is a group that has been together since 1994. The band performs internationally and has performed for hundreds of conventions, private functions and many club dates in New Orleans. Members of the band include a few who are descendants of the early jazz pioneers, a former ten year member of the Olympia Brass Band and in general the best first-call musicians in New Orleans.

The New Orleans Spice provides a specific style of music, New Orleans Jazz, but is diverse and flexible with the ability to parade, perform in a club or on a concert stage. Parades have included grand entrances for conventions, moving large groups of people through the streets of New Orleans with police escorts, combining the parade with a concert stage performance and virtually any combination imaginable. This group is flexible and really entertains.

The music on the New Orleans Spice CD entitled "Parade of Classics" is fun, exciting, musical and captivating. It is classic New Orleans traditional jazz at its best. This is "feel-good" music in its finest form. The CD has 16 selections of recognized songs performed by a few of the best musicians in New Orleans today. Many visitors to New Orleans look for this style of music in the nightclubs or on Bourbon Street and, unless they know where and when to look, have a very hard time locating it anywhere. The cover has an original watercolor done by a local artist, Misha Ambrosia, and the insert card has a beautiful black and white photo of Pirates Alley beside the St. Louis Cathedral taken by David Hansen, the group's leader. The music and the package are first class.

"All of the participants are at the top of their games in this one."
Tom Jacobsen - *Mississippi Rag*, January 2002

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