

# The Verve Pipe

*stands out by virtue of its sophisticated, complex melodies and dense, almost organic arrangements*



“Some bands are so much better in the studio than they are in concert . . . Other groups are excellent live performers but can't capture the magic in their recordings. I've got to say that The Verve Pipe is one of the few bands that is a master at both . . . last weekend (they) performed a dazzling set that featured melodic rock and roll, music precision and restraint, explosive guitar energy and vocal agility. With its thought-provoking lyrics, uniquely engaging rock power and on-stage charisma, The Verve Pipe seems destined to become a major American band.”

— Toledo Blade

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With a reputation for spectacular live performances, the genesis of multi-platinum artist **The Verve Pipe** can be traced back to the early 90s, when lead singer Brian Vander Ark and drummer Donny Brown, members of two rival Michigan bands, joined forces. After the additions of lead guitarist AJ Dunning, bassist Brad Vander Ark and keyboard/percussionist Doug Corella, **The Verve Pipe** released two independent albums, *I've Suffered A Head Injury* and *Pop Smear*. The group quickly garnered a regional following for its textured rock songs distinguished by inventive arrangements, soul-searching lyrics and layered vocals.

The success of both albums attracted the attention of RCA Records, which released their platinum major label debut *Villains* in 1996. The album featured the radio hit 'Photograph' and the #1 single 'The Freshmen,' one of the most successful multi-format tracks of 1997 and winner of an ASCAP Pop Award. Their follow-up release, the critically-acclaimed self-titled LP *The Verve Pipe*, featured 'Hero,' a Top 15 hit at Modern Rock radio.

In 2001, RCA released *Underneath*, which produced the singles 'Happiness Is' and 'Never Let You Down,' one of the most played songs for Adult Top 40 and Modern A/C radio that year. The album also included 'Colorful,' the emotive ballad featured in the film and soundtrack *Rock Star*, starring Mark Wahlberg and Jennifer Aniston and also co-starring Brian Vander Ark in his first major film role. In 2004, RCA/BMG released *The Verve Pipe – Super Hits*, featuring the greatest hits from their three RCA releases.

In addition to their success on radio, TV and film, sold-out concert dates throughout the U.S., Canada, Europe and Australia, features in Spin and Rolling Stone and videos on MTV and VH1, the band have made numerous television appearances, including 'The Tonight Show With Jay Leno' and 'Late Night With David Letterman.'

After an eight year hiatus, founding members Brian Vander Ark and Donny Brown (and a roster of great musicians) were approached to submit an original song for a compilation album of children's music. That session inspired their latest release, the critically-acclaimed *A Family Album*, a collection of ten songs intended for the entire family, with fun and inventive lyrics set to the memorable melodies the band is known for.

**The Verve Pipe** continue to tour, performing kids shows throughout the U.S., including special appearances at *Lollapalooza*, *Austin City Limits Festival*, *Hangout Music Festival*, *Jiggle Jam* and *SummerStage* in Central Park, as well as rock shows.



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