

# **FINI HØSTRUP**

## **So Gentle**

A blue coffeepot, two cups, a look out into the garden through lace curtains. A feeling of peace, harmony and delicacy. Music playing in the background. The pleasant melodies, the crisp sound of piano, guitar, bass and drums, bring out contemplation and imagination. Perhaps the loved one has just left, but will soon be back ....

Fini Høstrup (born 1949) is still a well-kept secret to many Danish music lovers. Maybe because he has been the man behind, rather than on, the stage. And no wonder, for most of Høstrup's musical life has been led in the world of theatre, television and film productions. He has written the music for the Danish tv success from 1997-1998, "Strisser på Samsø", and in 1991 he won the greatest Danish film award - a Robert - in the category 'best film music' for the film "Springflod". Høstrup has worked for a number of Danish theatres, e.g. Århus Teater, Det Ny Teater and the Royal Theatre, and he has been involved in such productions as "Esther", "West Side Story", "Grease", "Chess", "Atlantis", "Fame" and this summer's "A Midsummer-Night's Dream" at Folketeatret.

Høstrup is a master at evoking an ambiance and writing catchy melodies with song-like qualities. On his new cd, "So Gentle", he and his fine band ask the listener in with intimate chamber jazz, unmistakably Nordic and with a light, elegant atmosphere that cannot but bring about intimacy and an inner joy. Just like the Brazilian bossa nova maestro Carlos Jobim's delicate melodies, or pianist Jan Johansson's interpretations of traditional Swedish songs. Ten instrumental tunes that come out as simple and relevant statements.

Apart from Fini Høstrup himself on piano, the band consists of bass player Kasper Vadsholt, drummer Tom H. Jensen and the brilliant guitarist Per Gade.

Fini Høstrup has already released the records "Boomerang" (1997) and "Stories" (2000) on Stunt Records. Now he is ready with this wonderful cd, which will win the hearts of all romantic souls who love music with good melodies and elegant swing. Bring out the coffee cups or the cool drink and let the dreams take off ...

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