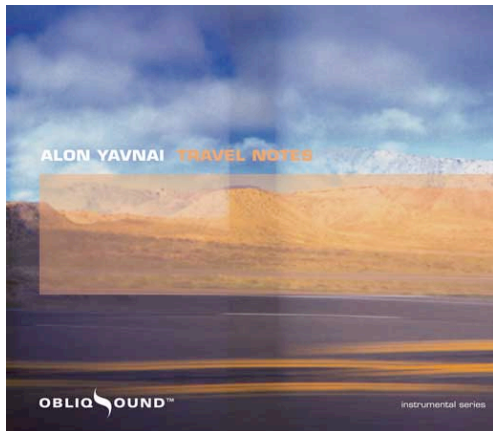


ALON YAVNAI: TRAVEL NOTES



01. Bayit (Home) [6:35]
02. Yonatan [7:47]
03. Yoman (Diary) [5:46]
04. Numi Numi
(Sleep, Sleep) [3:39]
05. Travel Notes [4:46]
06. Shir Ahava Tari (Fresh
Love Song) [5:24]
07. Ilha B'nit (Beautiful Island)
[6:55]
08. Yakinton [3:38]
09. Zricha (Sunrise) [7:05]
10. Sof (End)
(In memory of
Take Toriyama) [2:22]

FEATURED ARTISTS

- Alon Yavnai** > *piano*
Jamey Haddad > *percussion*
(tracks 1, 2, 3, 5, 7 & 9)
Omer Avital > *bass*
(tracks 1, 2, 3, 5, 7 & 9),
oud (track 5)

Produced by Michele Locatelli

All tracks written by Alon Yavnai except track 4 written by Yoel Angel, track 6 written by Shlomo Gronich and track 8 written by Lea Goldberg

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Grammy® Winner Alon Yavnai explores new musical terrain on ObliqSound release Travel Notes

Pianist **Alon Yavnai**, winner of the 2008 Grammy for Best Latin Jazz Album as part of the Paquito D'Rivera Quintet for the album "Funk Tango," takes center stage as a soloist and trio leader after years of exceptional collaboration with artists like Paquito D'Rivera, Nancy Wilson, Rosa Passos, Joe Lovano and Yo-Yo Ma.

Travel Notes is a musical diary of pianist Alon Yavnai's life as a touring musician with a multi-national upbringing, including influences from his culture from Israel, travels in Cape Verde, Angola, and Brazil. Melding solo piano with a trio combination featuring stand-out members **Omer Avital** on bass and oud and **Jamey Haddad** (Paul Simon) on percussion, the album is an intimate and personal songbook with international flavors.

Now, with the release of Travel Notes, his first recording on ObliqSound, Yavnai continues to explore new musical terrain, incorporating rhythms from Cape Verde, Peru and Morocco with Brazilian harmonic influences and his solid grounding in both classical and jazz composition.

PRESS

- Featured in *Downbeat Magazine* (Feb 2008), *Keyboard Magazine* (May 2008)
- Anticipated press includes numerous radio appearances such *WGBH Boston*, *World Café Live*, and much cultural press in conjunction with Israel's 60th Birthday, including upcoming *Global Rhythm Magazine's* feature on Israeli jazz artists on the New York scene ("Jews in Jazz") and CD review in the magazine's June issue

ADVERTISING

- Selected tracks featured on *Jazziz* and *Global Rhythm* CD samplers
- Print ads in *Downbeat* (June 2008, USA), *JazzThing* (April/May 2008, Germany)

TOURING

- New York release concert at the Jazz Standard on April 21, World Café Live in Philadelphia and Israeli release concerts in June.
- International touring in Israel and Germany (including a high-profile stint with the NDR Bigband on April 2 in Neubrandenburg)
- North American tour both as a solo artist and with his trio, at dates to be announced throughout the year

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