

Top of the World albums: Songlines #127 (May 2017)

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Here is our selection of the top ten new releases reviewed in the **May issue of Songlines**. Tracks from each of these albums are included on the free cover-CD with issue #127.

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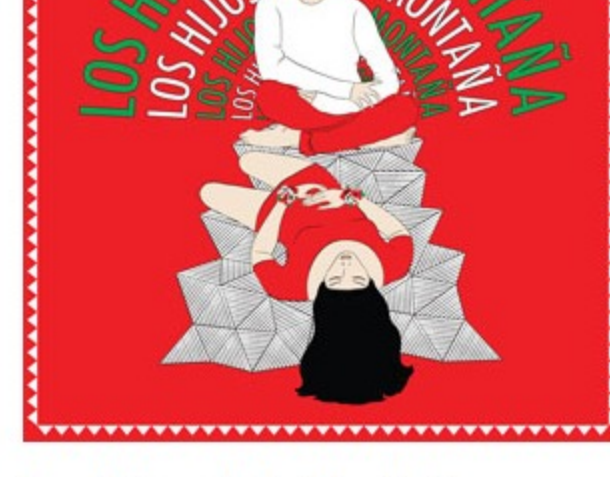
Orchestra Baobab

Tribute to Ndiouga Dieng

World Circuit

This heartfelt dedication to the group's original vocalist is packed with familiar Afro-Cuban rhythms and lyrical brass arrangements, with a new prominent place given to the kora.

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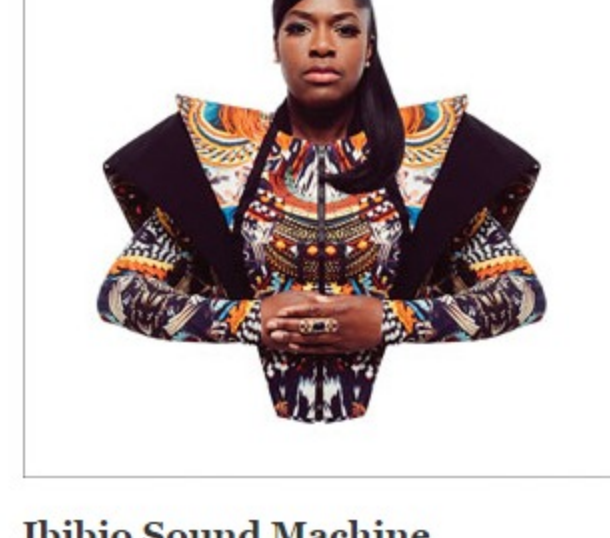
Los Hijos de la Montaña

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Vacilando 68

From New Age soundscapes to Latino mock-goth, this Tex-Mex band has twangy guitars, old-school synths, blasts of brass and saloon-bar piano.

[iTunes](#)



Ibibio Sound Machine

Uyai

Merge Records

A catchy opening number with an eerie, futuristic synth motif. This is a fiercely funky second album full of confidence and swagger, fronted by British-Nigerian vocalist Eno Williams.

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Khusugtun

An Anthology of Mongolian Khöömii

Buda Musique

Ethnomusicologist Johann Curtet has delved into the archive of Mongolian Radio from 1954-2016 to explore the development of khöömii (throat singing) in all its diverse variations.

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Siobhan Miller

Strata

Songprint Recordings

An upbeat opener to an enchanting second album of mostly new arrangements of traditional songs, expertly played and with the purity of Miller's voice shining through.

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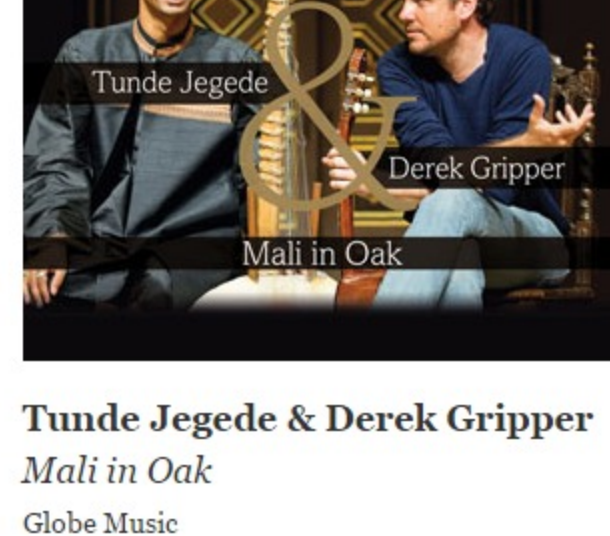
Tamikrest

Kidal

Glitterbeat Records

It's hard to believe that there are many bands in contemporary Western rock music who could shake your bones harder than these Touareg rockers.

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Tunde Jegede & Derek Gripper

Mali in Oak

Globe Music

This joint composition showcases the collaborative magic produced by these two musicians. A special communion between exceptional players.

[Amazon](#) | [iTunes](#) | [Spotify](#)



The Hot 8 Brass Band

On the Spot

Tru Thoughts

A joyously fresh-sounding fifth album, full of greasy street-funk grooves as well as hints towards a softer side. Hard times have not hindered New Orleans' hardest working brass band.

[Amazon](#) | [iTunes](#)



Jaune Toujours

20th

Choux de Bruxelles

Sounding as fresh as when they first started, this 20th anniversary double CD includes previously unreleased live and demo tracks from the Brussels-based, guitar-less band.

[Amazon](#)



Baluji Shrivastav

Best of Baluji Shrivastav

ARC Music

Indian classical music remains at the core of this compilation from multi-instrumentalist Baluji Shrivastav OBE.

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