1 BIRDS AWAKE 4:13

2 **SKUMPA** 0:46

3 CAPERS ON EVERYTHING 3:58

4 **FAREN MIN** 2:18

5 PREPARE 5:45

6 IF YOU WERE A MELODY 3:22

7 ROUND ABOUT 2:23

8 AND THE NUTMEG 5:19

9 DAGEN SVINNER 2:16

10 DAZZLING BLUE 3:17

11 **VOI RIVER** 5:33

Total time 39:10

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SAXOPHONES on Voi Rive







Four years have passed since the album *Voi River* was recorded in August 2018: four years, and three more albums.

The inspiration behind the name *Elegy Of Skies* is not known, but it was after the album with the same title that the idea of four albums dedicated to each (Aristotelian) element came to mind. *Time To Illuminate Earth* was and is an appropriate title for almost anything, while *Here Comes The Sun* will forever be associated with something positive and beautiful.

Maybe the albums of this tetralogy also reflect the four seasons. If *Voi River* was a summerly album and *Elegy Of Skies* brought an autumn mood, then *Time To Illuminate Earth* is dark and wintery. It suits, I think. Moreover, here in the High North, where the sun actually is below the horizon for two months of the year, *Here Comes The Sun* is an appropriate title for a spring album.

Four albums with the same four musicians, all recorded and mixed in the same studios by the same gifted person, all released on the same label (and mastered by another gifted person). On three out of four albums, the same front cover photographer.

It has been a rewarding project: 30 new compositions, as well as personal interpretations of music I like. Hopefully, it paints a picture of me as a composer, and some of what has influenced me. Also hopefully, it reflects a band evolving a timbre with a certain geographical distinctiveness: elements of the High North distilled in sound.

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