



Tjednbalen
- HILDE KIRKEBØEN -
Danselåttar frå Ål i Hallingdal

Hilde Kirkebøen is a Hardanger fiddler who masters the traditional dance music of Ål, in the valley of Hallingdal, Norway. Her playing is dynamic and hypnotic, and much loved by dancers who seek traditional Hallingdal music, with its characteristic rhythm and energy. Hilde grew up in the rural community of Ål and learned fiddling from Jens Myro. She is an excellent dancer, something that inevitably contributes to her fine music. Other contemporary fiddlers of the region, such as Øyvind Brabant, Egil Syversbråten and Magne Myhren, have naturally influenced her playing to some extent. However, Hilde definitely has her own style; she is in demand as a dance musician and is an excellent representative for the Hallingdal fiddle tradition. This album provides excellent documentation of a relatively young, good, traditional Hardanger fiddler in Norway today. Several of the tunes played here have never before been

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available on CD. Hilde has lived in Oslo since 1994 and has meant a lot to other city-dwellers from Hallingdal, providing music for dances and gatherings.



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