

E3 Acoustic Band – Folk-Rock & Americana aus Hessen



The **E3 Acoustic Band** is a six-member group from Hesse, Germany founded in 2007 by **Mark Patrick** and **Ralf Olbrich**. With their unique blend of **folk-rock and Americana**, they have firmly established themselves in the German music scene, captivating audiences with handcrafted music, honest storytelling, and compelling melodies.

Mark Patrick, former frontman of the folk-rock band *Paddy Goes to Holyhead*, is not only the **lead singer** but also the guitarist and songwriter of E3. Together with **Ralf Olbrich**, a versatile **multi-instrumentalist** and **lead singer (saxophone, guitar, ukulele, melodica, saxillo)**, who is also a **songwriter**, they form the creative heart of the band.

Shortly after the band was founded, **Yvonne Roth** joined as a **lead singer**. In addition to her gentle voice, she enriches the band as a **multi-instrumentalist** on **electric bass, double bass, and flute**, giving E3's sound a distinctive character. **Frank Pertiller**, also a **songwriter**, adds depth to the band with his **accordion, piano, and lead vocals**.

The instrumental diversity is completed by **Christian W. Martin (violin, mandolin, tin whistle, backing vocals)** and **Thomas Wimmer (songwriter, drums, percussion)**. **Thomas Wimmer is not only the driving heartbeat of the band on drums but also a talented videographer and the composer of *Eight Hours***, **one of the most-watched videos on their YouTube channel**. Together, this sextet creates an unparalleled **joy of playing** that makes their live performances a true experience.

A signature feature of the **E3 Acoustic Band** is their **live concerts**, which are not only musically captivating but also enriched by **humorous remarks** from various band members between songs, making each performance a special event.



From Their First Live CD to the Next Big Step

Following the success of their first live CD, **An Evening With E3 (2016)**, and the release of their **debut studio album Get On Your Feet (2021)**, the E3 Acoustic Band is preparing for its **next major milestone**:

In **March 2025**, the first of at least two singles from their highly **anticipated second studio album** will be released, with the full album set to follow later in the year. The single, titled **It's So Good to See You Again**, offers the first glimpse into this new musical chapter.

Fans can look forward to fresh sounds, captivating melodies, and the unmistakable acoustic energy that E3 is known for—a true delight for unplugged music lovers!

Awards & Achievements

In December 2021, the band won **1st place** at the **German Pop Foundation** for **Best English-Language Album** with **Get On Your Feet**. Additionally, E3 received four more awards.

In 2024, they won three more awards from the German Pop Foundation:

- **1st place for Best English-Language Song of 2024** for their upcoming single **It's So Good to See You Again** (March 2025 release)
- **1st place for Best Folk-Rock Song** for the same single
- **2nd place in the category Best Alternative Band 2024**

The band has also achieved international recognition:

At the prestigious **Song of the Year USA** songwriting competition, **It's So Good to See You Again** was selected as a **finalist**, while **A Little AC/DC Never Hurt Anyone** from their debut album reached the **semifinals**.

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Success is addictive—and their third CD production is already in the works for 2025. E3 continues to evolve, impressing audiences with passion and musical finesse.

E3-The Essence of Emotional Energy

Press Reviews

- *“Brilliant vocal harmonies, original arrangements.”* - **Kreis-Anzeiger**
- *“A journey through emotions and genres.”* - **Main-Echo**
- *“At times, it it sounds a bit like Irish folk. Then, a passage strongly resembles Klezmer music, and suddenly, we find ourselves in the middle of a rock song. The band ‘E3’ truly gives the audience an experience at the Idsteiner Scheuer. Rock, jazz, and pop songs sound entirely different when this acoustic band gets their hands on them.”* - **Frankfurt Neue Presse - FNP**

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