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CD: Eliyahu Sills & the Qadim Ensemble

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"Qadim" means "ancient" in Hebrew and Arabic. It also means "that which will come" in both languages.

It's a powerfully appropriate name for the group of Arabic and Jewish musicians who work with visionary multi-instrumentalist Eliyahu Sills. The group's latest album, "Eastern Wind," is an achingly beautiful blend of 12 folk and devotional songs from throughout the Middle East, with songs sung in Arabic, Hebrew, Armenian and Turkish. You'll find exquisite instrumental pieces, such as "Noldu Bu Gunlar," as well as others enhanced by the haunting bell-like clarity of Rachel Valfer's vocals, such as "Yedidi Hashachachta" and "Im Nin'alu." The album is exquisitely mixed and produced by Sills and Six Degrees' JefStott, with instrumentalists offering superb performances on bansuri flute, oud, ney, saz and other acoustic instruments.

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