

## ***Wondrous Stories***

Becky Duke is a London based former occupational health nurse who is donating £1 to the mental health charity MIND for every copy of this album sold. Her self-penned upbeat folky/pop has all the hallmarks of someone who has delved deep in to what life is all about. Her lyrics are meaningful and her voice and the harmony vocals make it an impressive debut to the world of recording. It's all rather gentle stuff, rather emotional and delivered in such a way that you want to listen. Many musicians, some of whom make up her own band, surround her and they add to the soulful feel.

A dozen songs made up of pop ditties and the more folky singer/songwriter styled tunes will appeal to the more attentive listener. A string quartet on 'If You Fall' and lap steel on 'Hold Me Tonight' suggest an artist trying to extract as much out of her work as possible, something, she, along with her crew, have achieved.

*Martin Hudson, Wondrous Stories, April 2001*