

## Meskhane (Gypsy Turkish World Music) Spices from Istanbul



**Mesmerising and very lively! Meskhane, born in Istanbul, weave magical melodies laced with improvisations creating different moods as the group flows from one feeling to another while trance-like rhythms accompany**

Istanbul was once one of the great cultural melting pots and is still full of art, music and inspiration. Turkish music is based on a melodic system called makam which uses more notes than western music. Each makam has it's own taste and feeling and the great composers of the past created majestic pieces using these systems.

**Meskhane** play in their own style inspired by Ottoman and Gypsy culture. They weave oriental melodies from traditional Turkish music with elements of jazz and classical music. The group comprises 4 musicians: Georgi Dimitrov – Kanun, Yann Le Glaz – Saxophone, Joachim Robert Hvid – Oud, and Stuart Dickson – Oriental Percussion. Each band member is from a different country, and met while living in Istanbul, where most of the group still live, soaking up the Istanbul vibe and furthering their musical passion. The group gives a storming performance which always leaves audiences asking for more.

Over the last few years **Meskhane** have played some important stages and prestigious festivals in Europe including Balka Barna in Barcelona and on several Bulgarian TV channels before playing the well known Studio 1 of the Bulgarian National Radio. The group has toured Europe many times while the individual members are busy with other successful projects which leaves only 8 days in August to play the Fringe.

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### Listings Information

Venue	C royale, Royal Society of Edinburgh, 22 George Street, EH2 2PQ, venue 6
Dates	8-15 Aug
Time	22:35 (0h50)
Ticket prices	£8.50-£10.50 / concessions £6.50-£8.50 / under 18s £4.50-£6.50
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