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‘Empirical is still a reliable touchstone of contemporary British jazz at its most sophisticated’ (*Jazzwise*)

‘Empirical, around for an astonishing 15 years already, are one of the great British contributions to European jazz.’ (*Downbeat*)

‘London’s quartet Empirical delivered it all… This was the height of contemporary jazz from risk-taking players with real commitment.’ (*Calgary Herald*)

‘Empirical are exactly what top-class modern jazz should be – trailblazing yet wholly respectful of tradition.’ (*Time Out London*)

‘Empirical are among the most admired and individual-sounding bands in contemporary jazz. […] As anyone who has heard the band live will know, their approach is so fresh and their sound so appealing that there’s never a dull moment.’ (*The Observer*)

‘[Empirical] has a recognisable signature sound. They don’t get caught up in a thicket of their own improvisational energies, but always maintain a lightness and transparency, even in the freest of improvisational moments.’ (*FonoForum*)

‘[Empirical] espouse a playful style of jazz that is full of surprising changes both rhythmically and melodically and, at times, reaches an almost merciless intensity – but is consistently marked by an exceptional technical brilliance.’ (*Weser Kurier*)

‘Empirical have become fascinating and fearless’ (*The Guardian*)

‘(Empirical) continue to display a fiercely imaginative sensibility, producing music as challenging and stimulating as anything on the international scene’ (*MOJO Magazine*)