

NEW YORK

Gypsy Caravan



- **Release Date:** 06/15/07
- **Starring:** Fanfare Ciocarlia, Taraf de Haidouks, Antonio El Pipa, Maharaja, Esmá Redzepova
- **Director:** Jasmine Dellal
- **Rating:** (NR)


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Genre
Documentary, Musical

Running Time
110 min

Distributor
Shadow Distribution

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NEW YORK VIEW

Recommended for lovers of world music and ethnographic films, this documentary chronicles an American tour undertaken by a group of nomadic gypsy musicians from all over the world. Macedonian divas mingle with flamenco groups and Northern Indian ensembles, often collaborating over the course of their travels to create an intriguing tableau of images and sounds. A cameo in which Johnny Depp praises the Romanian

string band Taraf de Haïdouks lends a welcome dollop of cred to the proceedings, which can drag for those not familiar with (or interested in) the music represented.

CINEMASOURCE SYNOPSIS

This musical documentary follows five Gypsy bands from four countries who unite for the Gypsy Caravan as they take their show around North America for a six-week tour. Their musical styles range from flamenco to brass band, Romanian violin to Indian folk. And with humor and soul in their voices, they celebrate the best in Gypsy culture and the diversity of the Romani people in an explosion of song and dance. As the film follows the amazing performances and behind-the-scenes action from the tour created by World Music Institute, we discover the real lives of these musicians. We visit Macedonia, Romania, India and Spain, meet their families and see what music brings to their lives. The tales of these characters are woven between their performances - allowing us to understand and celebrate Romani culture and the prejudice of their shared ancestry.

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