

# Praise for Rev Simpkins

## On preview copies of *Big Sea*:

“Visually and musically a thing of sheer beauty...one of the most impressive releases to come my way during my 40-plus years in the radio industry...absolutely stunning”  
**East Anglian Daily Times**, 15<sup>th</sup> August 2020

“An incredible piece of work”  
**BBC Radio Suffolk**

## On *Babbler & Crow* and *Lions*:

“...he might just scoop a Mercury Prize...”  
**Martin Newell**, Poet for *The Independent* and musician

“High octane stuff...unique musical style and literate words performed with energy and passion. He must be a gas live.”  
**fROOTS**, April 09

“Deep, dark...makes the hairs on the back of your neck stand up”  
**Maverick Magazine**, August 2009

"An anarchic, chaotic and hard to classify romp through the murkier depths of Matthew Simpkins' mind...raw, authentic and always riveting."  
**Acoustic Magazine**, May 09

“skewed blues and rot-gut jugband swagger...a heady mix.”  
**Rock 'n' Reel**, March/April 09

“Inspires a mixture of joy, confusion and awe in equal measure”  
**Everything Folk**

“I wonder what goes on inside his head”  
**Blues Matters**

*Lions* – **GRAPEVINE** ALBUM OF THE YEAR 2009