

Who are Goitse?

The multi-award-winning quintet *Goitse*, was forged in the white-hot creative crucible of Limerick University's Irish World Academy. Recently crowned Live Ireland's 'Trad group of the Year', Chicago Irish American News' 'Group of the Year', as well as winning the prestigious 'Freiburger International Leiter 2016' award in Germany, they have made a name for themselves as one of the most sought after bands amongst connoisseurs of Irish Traditional music. Their third album, *Tall Tales and Misadventures*, has received rave reviews as the band continues to take the traditional Irish music scene by storm.

Their distinctive sound lies in the quality of their own compositions interspersed with traditional tunes from Ireland and abroad, which make each set entertaining and unique. Laying the foundations for the music are World and All-Ireland Bodhrán champion Colm Phelan and Conal O'Kane, who is fast making a name for himself as one of the finest guitarists of this generation. The gripping rhythm section sets a powerful drive for the music while the sweet, charismatic voice of Áine Mc Geeney draws audiences into the music in a way very few performers can achieve. Her energetic style of fiddle playing is complimented by 7-time All-Ireland banjo champion James Harvey. His ability to transcend genres, combined with his unparalleled technical ability is a joy to behold. Bridging the gap between melody and accompaniment is the piano and piano accordionist, Tadhg Ó Meachair. The Dublin native is renowned for his unique approach to bass work and accompaniment, while also having picked up national awards for his melody playing. Lace up your dancing shoes and get ready for a night of wonderful music and fast paced fun with Goitse.

***Goitse (Go-with-cha)** is an informal Gaelic Irish greeting meaning 'come here'.