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### **NASHVILLE SKYLINE: Some Women You Need to Hear\_CMT.com - Nashville,TN,USA\_**

Ashton Shepherd? Who? Sonya Isaacs? What? Suzy Bogguss? Jackie Bristow? Why? Because ...

A CD that has totally occupied my car's CD player for the past week or so is from a New Zealand native. Jackie Bristow's Crazy Love is a hypnotizing collection of her original songs that conjure up a seductive world of, well, crazy love and other ethereal things. Bristow is a true original and well worth your attention. Think Joni Mitchell crossed with Dusty Springfield. She writes all of her songs and they seem casual until you listen to them again and again. Not many writers in any musical genres give the attention and depth to lyrics that Bristow obviously does. Quoting her lyrics out of context is obviously unfair, but here's a sample from "No Easy Way to Say Goodbye." "And I know what it's like to have my heart broken/You can leave a token/And I am missing you more than I ever dreamed I could/Words unspoken, feelings stolen/There's no easy way to say goodbye/No easy way to say goodbye."

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