

## Madeline Hawthorne

Co-produced by Brad Parsons and Fruition's Tyler Thompson, 'Boots' marks the solo debut from critically acclaimed Montana singer/songwriter Madeline Hawthorne, who steps into the spotlight here with equal parts grit and charm. 'Boots' is a work of profound reflection and self-discovery, reckoning with evolution and independence while facing down the pressures of modern womanhood with unflinching honesty and steadfast resilience. The songs here are bold and ambitious, captured live in the studio with minimal overdubs, resulting in a raw, rousing collection that blurs the lines between roots, country, and soul as it transforms pain into beauty and doubt into hope.

Born to a classical vocalist mother and a concert conductor father, Hawthorne was surrounded by music throughout her childhood, but she never considered it a viable career path until she landed in Montana, where she launched The Hawthorne Roots in 2014. The group quickly built a loyal following—The Bozeman Daily Chronicle hailed the five-piece's "tightly woven harmonies and relentlessly catchy melodies," while Bozeman Magazine readers voted them Best New Band and Best Folk Performers—and toured throughout the West, earning dates with the likes of Nicki Bluhm and Dustbowl Revival and landing festival slots from Targhee and Yarmony to Red Ants Pants and Big Sky Big Grass before going their separate ways in 2020.

With the release of 'Boots' Madeline Hawthorne was invited to perform at regional mountain festivals including Treefort in Boise, Sawtooth Valley Gathering in Stanley and Wildlands in Big Sky, supporting Jason Isbell and Lukas Nelson. She followed up the summer festival season with support performances for Josh Turner, Nathaniel Rateliff, Kip Moore, Langhorne Slim and John Craigie. Rich Anderson of The Jackson Hole Daily says "This is a rare soulful country, a powerful and beautiful sound." Whether it's performing solo or with her 5-piece band, Madeline continues to win over fans one at a time with her powerful vocals and high energy performances. Keep your eyes and ears open for new music coming out in 2023.