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★★★½

His latest might find veteran singer and [songwriter](#) Guy Clark adding decades-younger tunesmiths Ashley Monroe and Jedd Hughes to his reliable roster of collaborators, but *Somedays the [Song Writes You](#)* is hardly an attempt to artificially contemporize Guy's likeably lived-in sound. The strong opening trio of songs all address the [musical](#) muse itself, and all hit the mark—especially the phantasmagorical story-song “The [Guitar.](#)” *Somedays* returns to that level only on its closer, “Maybe I Can [Paint](#) Over That,” which like those kickoff tunes seeks essential truths about life in the practice of creativity.

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