

THE WIND AND THE WHALES



recorded live
on the remote island of
Ultima Thule
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Ladies and Gentlemen, come with me on a voyage to Ultima Thule, legendary land of frozen mystery!

Far beyond the North Pole, at over ninety-two degrees north latitude where the converging lines of longitude can squeeze out a man's life in seconds, lies the mysterious and forgotten Island of Ultima Thule. Long thought lost by mariners, this recently discovered island is so cold that the plants grow fur coats to keep warm. The sun not only fails to rise all winter, it merely nods at the horizon even during the brief summer. The growing season is a scant four days long.

Here, deep in the sparse forests of shimmering Chime Trees where savage winds howl, live the baffling and elusive Air Whales, flitting about from shadow to shadow, singing their lives away in endless haunting melodies.

Now, for the first time ever, you at home can journey in your imaginations far beyond north, and hear these astonishing creatures never before captured on audio tape. Come with us on a sonic odyssey like nothing ever heard before as we begin our journey to experience... the *Sound Beyond North!*

Recorded live at three separate forest locations, this recording captures the variety and uniqueness of individual Air Whale songs.

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