



# MARK CARTER

## *The Art of Smooth Jazz Guitar*



Mark Carter fondly remembers the life changing moment when he realized his future lay in playing guitar. His brother brought home an LP of the legendary Wes Montgomery's "Tequila" and the young guitarist couldn't stop listening. From there, Mark began exploring the music of Grant Green, Chet Atkins, Kenny Burrell, and later George Benson and Carlos Santana. These guitar influences, as well as the opportunity to perform with some of the biggest names in modern music: Al Jarreau, Dave Koz, Eric Marienthal, Roger Williams, The Coasters, The Drifters and Englebert Humperdink, have molded Mark into the contemporary performer he is today. Additionally, Mark holds the longtime position of guitarist for special performances at the Crystal Cathedral and has recorded music for Royal Viking Cruise Lines, Disneyland, KDOC-TV, Hot Spots Music Library and American Cable TV.

**Mark has three solo albums: "It's About Time", "West Coast Groove", and Smooth As Silk".**



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