

¡Combo Sabroso!

(translation: Tasty Combo)

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VIDEO LINKS

[Sujetate la Lengua](#) (salsa – by Eddie Palmieri)

[Medley of Latin and Reggae songs](#)

[Verdad Amarga](#): (bolero – by Eddie Palmieri)

You can hire the band as a trio or quartet, but for the full sound the sextet adding two horns.

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BAND DESCRIPTION

¡Combo Sabroso! ('tasty' combo) is Matt Jenson's long-time party band presenting top rankin' LATIN and REGGAE dance music. The band is committed to the hard hitting 'salsa dura' sound of the 1970's playing hits from the likes of Tito Puente, Eddie Palmieri, Oscar D'leon, Buena Vista Social Club. The group will then turn on a dime and drench you with roots reggae by Bob Marley, Beres Hammond, UB 40, Harry Belafonte, Gregory Isaacs and more. Things get tasty when they start throwing down inspired Salsa and Reggae arrangements of American R&B hits from the likes of Marvin Gaye, Santana, Bill Withers, John Lennon, Steve Miller and an original composition or two. It's a great joy to experience the simpatico between band members which translates into soul food for the mind and body!

The group was formed during the summer of 1998 when Matt, then living in Portsmouth, NH, made a decision to pursue a much deeper understanding of Afro-Cuban music. He assembled an amazing cadre of Latino musicians, most notably singer/percussionist Manolo Mairena who with Matt, forms the core of the group, landed a weekly gig and thus began a life-long love affair. Later, Matt saw no reason to separate Latin styles from his other musical love, reggae, and the rest is history, the group having played countless local venues, festivals, weddings and private parties.