

**Rick Derman in the Zisterne.
Over 1200 concerts since 1995.**

There was some solid guitar work from Rick Derman on Wednesday night at the Zisterne in the Market Square. From opening song "The Letter" made famous by Jefferson Starship to REM's Losing My Religion, there were occasional country blues virtuoso flourishes, as well as folk and rock classics like Honky Tonk Woman and Dire Strait's Sultans of Swing.

It states on his internet site that the singer-songwriter now lives in Solingen and has performed over 1200 concerts since 1995. Wednesday night was his second performance at the Zisterne and more than likely, not his last.

The musician entertained the roughly two dozen guests with rock oldies and blues classics as part of the festive music series "Summer Events in the Zisterne" which ended nicely with specially prepared barbecued ribs and chili con carne.

Meanwhile the guitarist-singer offered up some of his bluesy originals, but most applause was reserved for the old, well known rock songs. When he played Gary Moore's "Walkin By Myself" accompanied by drum/bass playback, the guests even danced before the stage.

He ended with the rhythmically driving blues song „I Got My Mojo Working“ from JJ Cale and this May holiday could just as well have been aptly called „The Day of Work“.