disc Track #29

Tammurriata

The tammuriata is a traditional dance as well as a particular rhythm style which derives from the large frame drum called the "Tammorra". It is very popular in Naples and the region of Campania. The melody is derived from achaic melodic styles using the lydian mode (raised 4th degree of the major scale) with improvisational lyrics under the repeated rhythmic cycle. You can try to play this melody together with the open G and D strings playing the rhythmic drone.

