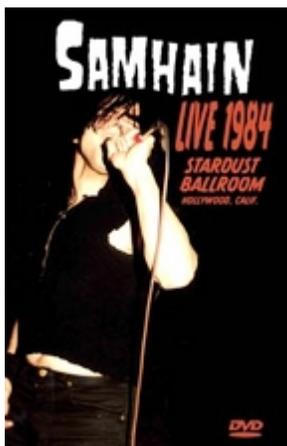


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SAMHAIN Live 1984 Stardust Ballroom DVD

Track Listing: Samhain, All Murder All Guts All Fun, Macabre, Die Die My Darling, The Shift, The Howl, Black Dream, I Am Misery, Halloween 2, The Hungry End, Unholy Passion, Horror Biz, He Who Cannot Be Named, Archangel, Moribund

Rating: 5 Stars!

Let me start by stating that I was too young to ever see Samhain & the Misfits, so to actually get to see early Glenn Danzig video footage like this is awesome! This new DVD captures the band Samhain their very first time playing Hollywood at the old Stardust Ballroom & this is a warts & all video too..there are NO overdubs, NO big productions, NO lip syncing....it's very distorted, the vocals are garbled at times & the guitar tone is overbearing at times, but it's cool as hell, because this is EXACTLEY what you saw when you sae the band live! I was surprised they played a Misfits cover ("Die, Die") & there's a funny moment when Glenn announces that they are towing cars away in the lot across the road that if you parked there you'd better move it & then Glenn says, "but I don't really care, because I didn't park there, so who cares!"...it's so cocky & just so very Glenn Danzig! Glenn smiles for the camera in one scene & points to his crotch jokingly & during "Archangel" Glenn plays guitar & their guitar player plays bass, which makes it a total of 2 bass players on the stage! Speaking of their guitar player..he has a unique instrument that I have never seen before...he took an old Gene Simmon's Axe bass & converted it into a 6 string guitar, which is REALLY cool looking! The Gene Simmons axe is played for the entire show, except for the last song "Moribund" which a Gibson SG is used on. If you want a slick, over-produced dvd that is full of fast scenes & quick shots then this is NOT for you...this is a very low budget film that captures the raw essence of what Samhain & early Glenn Danzig were about & for that reason, I think this might be one of the best Danzig related/released items ever put out! If you have trouble getting this DVD in your local record shop, you can get a copy from Music Video Distributors by going to www.mvdb2b.com

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