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Public Image Limited -Live At Rockpalast 1983 (MIG)

When it comes to **Public Image Limited**, there is very little footage available, so this release really covers a lot of ground. And the timing couldn't be better. The band currently came back, and just released their new album. So, they are hitting on all fronts. Public Image Limited is of course a band John Lydon put together after the demise of The Sex Pistols, and they've been a new wave stalwarts throughout the 80s and 90s.

This show had been available on the trading circuit in the past, but it's great to finally get a proper release that is generation free. It documents the band as it was back in 1983. As with each PIL line up, every single one had something unique to offer. The fans of course have their own preferences, but this version of PIL is quite explosive.

Not only do you get a PIL concert, but you do get a document of what it was like back in the early 80s. For many of these new wave acts, it was the formative time, when they basically invented themselves out of nowhere. PIL was already at the forefront of the movement, inspiring as they were creating their own legend.

In addition to the concert we get an interview, and a even a look at the band's rehearsal. It's something the old VHS tape definitely couldn't offer. The Rockpalast show certainly supplies a lot of great footage that normally wouldn't be now available. Let's hope they will continue to release all of their classic shows from the golden age of music. As for PIL, this is as good as it gets, wild, punchy, and obnoxious at time, but what do you expect? It's Public Image Limited!

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