



## New York Dolls

## Lookin' Fine On Television (Wienerworld)

It has to be said that very few bands legacy could be well served by just over an hour of unsteady, grainy black and white footage with a sound quality that can best be described as rough and ready but then the New York Dolls could never have been described as hi-fidelity even on record and, for most fans, it was all about the raucous, ramshackle-racket the band made onstage anyway, so this collection of rare live clips and interviews filmed in the 70s will be just what the doctor ordered. Ludicrously skinny and rocking that seedy glam-tart look the Dolls were a head spinning amalgam of the impossibly cool and the incredibly stupid – interviewing the band proves to be about as

easy as eating soup with an angry cat - and lest we forget they were wandering around New York dressed in the sort of outfits that got you a major kicking in the early '70s plus there's no doubt that tracks like 'Jet Boy' and 'Personality Crisis' were a major influences on the punk movement that would soon follow, so if this was a Genesis video we'd be saying steer clear, but the Dolls? Hey, grab some slap and join the party.

Ray Harper

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