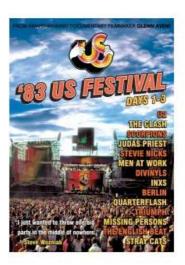


US Festival 1983 (MVDvisual, DVD)

Back in the days when MTV was king, Apple Computers cofounder Steve Wozniak decided to put a ton of money into
holding the best rock festival ever, and he damn well may have
succeeded. 1983's US Festival, which attracted a half-million
people on day two, featured the biggest acts of the day, from
The Stray Cats to The Clash to Stevie Nicks to U2. As presented
on this newly released DVD, the fest seems to break up into
three thematic days: New Wave (sorta) on day one, which
featured InXS, The English Beat, Men at Work and other hot,
edgy bands of the day; Metal on day two, which saw Judas
Priest, Triumph and Scorpions rock the stage like a hurricane;
and melodic rock on day three, which featured Berlin,
Quaterflash and Missing Persons. The video (shot in full screen



for TV) is standard 1983 MTV quality, but these are some great performances in an enormous show we won't see the likes of again.