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Bob Mould - "Circle Of Friends" DVD - Punk rock legends don't often age gracefully. Bob Mould is the rare exception. He could easily milk the cash cow and retread his past favorites from his Husker Du & Sugar days, and coast on that retro trip, but this live in DC set includes a new electric band (including Brendan Canty from Fugazi), and looks quite forward, thank you very much. On 'Circle Of Friends', Bob and company scorch through a variety of songs from his past and future - with the electricity and energy set to '10'. Mould's trademark buzzsaw guitar is here, in all it's ferocity, and these 23 songs are insurmountable evidence that Mould is a world-class songwriter. He pours himself into every riff and melody, and his band back him up with equal tenacity. I can't understand why Mould's records aren't 'top 10' - such a combination of melody, power, and emotion are all too rare in music these days. How's the show, you ask? Energetic, spellbinding, and beautiful. I'll say no more. (MVD Visual)

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