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PAGAN METAL

A Documentary DVD

Rating: 5.3 stars!

I truly had no clue what the folk metal/pagan metal scene was really all about; I'd seen guys going around wearing kilts/pleated skirts, playing this music that was a mix of metal & Scottish folk music, & I wrote it off as some weird hybrid that was just kinda gay, but this new dvd really explains the concept of Pagan Metal pretty damn well! Bands like Finntroll, Leaves Eyes, TYR & Turisas are all part of a developing music scene that's rooted overseas in which the music is folk in origin, it's got pan flutes, violins, keyboards, etc., in parts, yet it retains a metal element that matches Back Sabbath, so that in a nut shell explains Pagan Metal...it's NOT death metal, death metal is very dark & slightly cooler than Pagan Metal...Pagan Metal is essentially the dorky counterpart to Death Metal....it's the music that the guys who grew up playing Dungeons & Dragons are listening to these days! I'm not going to sugar coat it, most of the Pagan metal scene is goofy, it's cartoonish, it's not what most American people would consider cool...it's relatable more overseas because it's based more after the overseas, Norwegian, Scottish, etc., culture & the music has a dark element to it, but it's NOT all about satan & killing, it's more about their history, where their ancestors came from & what they did. I don't know, I prefer simple themes in my music...sex, drugs & rock n roll will always relate more to the US market than pan flutes & Riverdance styled metal.