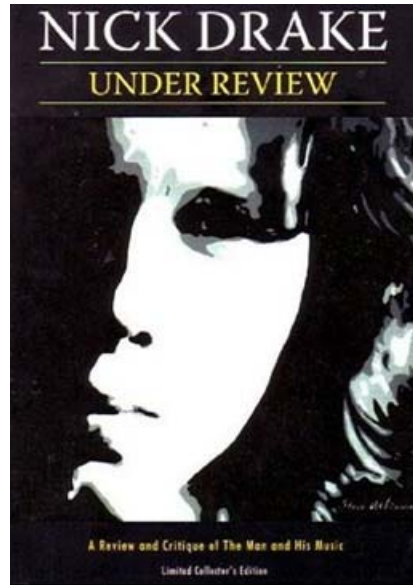




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Nick Drake – Under Review DVD



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Fans of Nick Drake probably feel like he's one of those well kept secrets. A true artist, Drake's short life represented a tragedy of depression and apparent (not really confirmed, but always rumored) suicide. When he died at the age of 26, he had only a couple of albums out. Since then a few have been released from the vaults. While his music is essentially folk, it has enough other elements that, along with his connection to Fairport Convention, I decided to include this in prog. Like the rest of these *Under Review* DVD's, this focuses more on Drake's music (with critical analysis) than on his life. I'd really like to see a more biographical film, but this is enough to give a deep insight into the music of a real innovator. It's a shame we never had the chance to see where Drake's music would have taken him, but this documentary truly gives you some clues.

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