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New Riders of the Purple Sage: 17 Pine Avenue

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(Woodstock Records)

The New Riders of the Purple Sage, with roots dating back to 1969 and the California psychedelic scene, is back with their latest and only second studio album in 20 years. The band took a hiatus for a while, released a bunch of live bootlegs and re-launched in 2005. In 2009, the reformed band, featuring founder David Nelson and classic line-up member Buddy Cage, released the critically acclaimed Where I Come From. 17 Pine Avenue is its

Here is a band full of vim and vigor (or piss and vinegar, your choice), not ready to phone it in after more than 40 years on the scene. They are a true throwback to the jamming days of the Grateful Dead. Hell, Garcia, Hart and Lesh were all in the band at one point in their early days. 17 Pine Avenue has a nice groove and after 27 albums and nine compilations it is nice to know Nelson and company still have the mojo to deliver the goods.

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