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# (Iron Butterfly) – "Concert and Documentary" (1997)

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#### Label -MVD

IRON BUTTERFLY	Reviewed by:	Taylor Carlson
	Genre:	Rock
	Country:	USA
	Length:	102 minutes
Concert & Documentary Europe 1997	Release Date:	2/10/09

Band Members:	Doug Ingle, vocals & Keyboard	Lee Dorman, bass, vocals
	Ron Bushy, drums	Eric Barnett, guitar, vocals
	Derek Hilland,	

	additional keyboardist	
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Track Listing:	1.)-Introduction	9.)-In-A-Gadda-Da-Vida
	2.)-Iron Butterfly Theme	
	3.)-Unconscious Power	
	4.)-In the Time of Our Lives	
	5.)-Flowers and Beads	
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Iron Butterfly formed in 1966, and while their music

initially slid under the radar of many a listener, their

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1968 hit In-A-Gadda-Da Vida became the quintessential anthem of psychedelic rock. The band disappeared from the musical spotlight as quickly as they had come into it, but th ey weren't done for. On and off again, the band continues to reunite, record, and tour. In 1997, the band recorded a European concert and some interviews. They are now available in this DVD set. \*\*\*

The first part of this disc is the concert itself. It runs just over an hour and features nine songs, closing out with the band's biggest hit. The band actually manages to put on a pretty good show, despite the advanced ages of the members as seen here. Yes, the lyrics and music are horribly dated, and it's a lot harder to take these guys seriously than it would have been thirty years prior to this. But I doubt any fan of the band will be disappointed with the show. My only major complaint is that I wish the band had used a vintage concert from the late sixties r ather than a newer one well past their heyday such as this. But, knowing how things were back then, it's unlikely any high-quality footage of the band performing from back them still exists, so I guess I can't complain. \*\*\*

And the second part is devoted to interviews with these musicians. Unfortunately, these interviews are edited and choppy, and thrown together in a sloppy fashion. Yes, you'll learn some interesting stuff here, even if you're already a fan of the band. I just wish they had put more effort into this portion of the disc, because there is a lot of interesting information to be had here. \*\*\*

Ultimately, whether or not you should pick up this collection really depends on whether or not you're a fan of the group. There's some interesting experiences to be had here, but only die-hard fans of the group are really going to get the most out of this collection. ---

#### **Image and Sound:**

The production quality on this disc isn't terrible, but it's certainly below average compared to sim ilar releases from bands of the same era. The film itself looks aged and grainy, and the audio mix leaves a lot to be desired as well. This is a competent transfer, and it more than gets the job done. But I wish the manufacturer had put a little more effort into the product. It would have made the experience so much more worthwhile and enjoyable. ---

Final Words: It's good to see this underrated group get a long-overdue DVD release, featuring concert and

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