



lan Hunter And The Rant Band Just Another Night: Live At The Astoria, London [DVD] MVD

After six albums, Mott the Hoople were at the highest point in their career in 1973. By the end of that year original guitarist Mick Ralphs left the firm appearing to be in Bad Company. Mott fans were stunned. While replacement guitarist Luther "Ariel Bender" Grosvenor was an OK temp filler, the soul of Mott was gone. Now some 30 years later ol' Ralpher has miraculously returned to team up with Ian Hunter in London for a live concert now available on this new DVD format everybody's talking about. Not only do we get to see and hear Ralphs return on Mott classic's like "Rock 'n' Roll Queen," "All The Way From Memphis" and the always satisfying "All The Young Dudes," we get a chance hear what the original Hoople axmen can do with some of Hunter's solo material as well. Amazingly Hunter looks exactly the same as he did when Ralphs left him, which makes it all the more fun to watch. Special guest jammers include that dude from Def Leppard and that head of hair Brian May from Queen (who makes his second appearance with a member of Bad Co. in the course of a year). Wonderful!

—Chris Carter

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