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ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL In Concert MVD

By now everyone associated with country music probably knows the name Asleep At The Wheel, but for the younger generation, like myself, we not be all that familiar with their music. What they dub as "Texas Swing" can best be describe as a jazzy, big band sound mixed with a country kick that I could picture my grandparents dancing to at the ballroom in the 50's. This DVD captures a 13-track performance from a TV studio (with a live audience) in Germany in 2000 and shows Asleep At The Wheel at their best. Jumpy songs like "Route 66" and "Hot Rod Lincoln" showed off their rock-n-roll side while "Cherokee Boogie" and "Boogie Back To Texas" will have your feet dancing along. As far as a live show goes, Asleep At The Wheel does everything right. They keep their set bouncy and fun and get right to the point. There isn't too much in between song chatter from front man Ray Benson, leaving him more time to showcase his amazing guitar playing. Their set clocked in at just under 60 minutes and left the crowd wanting more. It doesn't surprise me after watching this that Asleep At The Wheel has won 9 Grammy's. Great performance and well worth checking out no matter what brand of country you like. (JK)



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