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### Vader: Live in Japan

"Vader has arrived in Tokyo my friends...join us, it's time to die!"

So begins the classic live album *Live in Japan* from Vader, as guitarist/vocalist Peter welcomes the crowd and gets them ready for a feast of death metal delicacies. While their earlier live set *The Darkest Age-Live '93* is a good one, it pales in comparison to this lethal juggernaut, a steaming pile of fetid, thunderous death metal, recorded in Tokyo, Japan in 1998, when this Polish extreme metal machine were coming into their own as one of the best bands on the planet in this genre. Guitar wise, Peter and Mauser are spot on here, each one spewing out no shortage of brutal, heavy, riff-o-rama, that shook the foundation and crushed everything in their path. Vader classics like "Sothis", "Blood of Kingu", "Reborn in Flames", "Distant Dream", "Foetus God", and "Black to the Blind" are just bursting with energy, and the production couldn't be better, as you feel like you are right there at the venue with the band and the fans. Peter's vocals are monstrous throughout, as his easily understandable growls prowl above the furious musical onslaught.



The fans at the Club Quattro also got a treat that night, as Vader not only played quite a few of their classics, but also covers of "Black Sabbath" by the mighty Black Sabbath, and "Reign in Blood" by Slayer, the latter a song that they use to close their concerts with quite often, as Slayer is one of their favorite groups that they admire.

In short, this is one of the best live death metal albums, period. It doesn't get much better than the savage and brutal performance that Vader put on that night in 1998.

#### Track Listing

1. Damien (Intro)
2. Sothis
3. Distant Dream
4. Black To The Blind
5. Silent Empier
6. Blood OF Kingu
7. Carnal
8. Red Passage
9. Panzerstoss (Intro)
10. Reborn In Flames
11. Fractal Light
12. From Beyond (Intro)
13. Crucified Ones
14. Foetus God
15. Black Sabbath
16. Reign In Blood
17. Omen (Intro)
18. Dark Ages

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