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The Bottom Line

A very well done, professional DVD crammed with loads of extra features.

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Pros

- A definitive DVD loaded with different features.
- Professionally done, very slick DVD.
- Long running time.

Cons

- Minimal booklet.
- Nothing else unless you're turned off by scatological overtones.

Description

- Released January 26, 2010 by Metal Mind Productions.
- Re-issue of 2004's first official DVD from Carpathian Forest.
- Carpathian Forest are a legendary Norwegian black metal band.

Guide Review - Carpathian Forest- 'We're Going To Hollywood For This... Live Perversions' DVD

Norwegian black metal legends <u>Carpathian Forest</u> have been quiet since the release of *F*&**k* You All!!!!, the band's last studio album from 2006. The good people at Metal Mind Productions and MVD Video have taken advantage of the down time to re-issue Carpathian Forest's definitive DVD *We're Going To Hollywood For This... Live Perversions,* originally from 2004.

Everything that you could possibly ask for in a metal DVD is included here. The DVD's main feature is a professionally shot concert consisting of a full set of nineteen songs from a show in Krakow, Poland. Those of you familiar with other DVD productions from Metal Mind will recognize the photography as typical of the company. Lots of camera angles including one from a swinging boom, close-ups and long shots, a large stage with a few effects, and crystal clear sound are all hallmarks of Metal Mind Productions, and are all present throughout the long concert. The concert is well performed, with dynamic stage presence from the band and a duo of accompanying topless dancers.



Carpathian Forest- We're Going To Hollywood For This... Live Perversions *Metal Mind Productions*

Another concert is included, as well, this one shot at Wacken in 2003 in daylight with a shorter set. The concert is good, but not nearly as dynamic as the main feature. That said, though, the real reason to go out and grab this DVD is from the loads of extra features crammed into the disc, resulting in a total running time of 210 minutes. There are a lot of varied video features, including footage of the band in the studio during the recording of *Defending The Throne Of Evil*, a few snippets of the band hanging out during down time, and bootleg video footage from some early shows in clubs (featuring founding member Nordavind, for example). Raw concert footage is usually my favorite feature on metal DVDs, as the footage usually captures a certain grittiness, as it does here, sometimes lost in professional productions.

There are a number of rare audio features, as well, including demos, raw recordings of *Defending The Throne Of Evil*, and pre-Carpathian Forest demo recordings from Grimm and side project World Destroyer 2000. Rounding out the DVD are some photo montages and artwork, some quite gross with sexual sadism and scatological themes.

As far as a DVD release from a metal band goes, *We're Going To Hollywood For This... Live Perversions* is about as definitive as one can get. Anyone with at least a passing interest in Carpathian Forest should go out and grab this one immediately.

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