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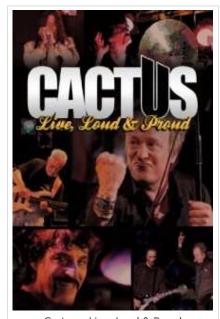


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Cactus - Live: Loud & Proud DVD (MVD Visual)

Wow, 40 years... some of the faces have changed, but the heart of Cactus—drum god Carmine Appice, bass legend Tim Bogert, and guitar hero Jim McCarty—remain in place, supplemented by vocalist Jimmy Kunes (ex-Savoy Brown) and harmonica player Randy Pratt. This DVD was filmed during the band's 'reunion' (of sorts) tour of 2006/07, at BB King's in New York, and it is a thrilling testament to the greatness of Cactus, the original US masters of heavy blues rock. OK, live DVD, sitting at home, having a good time... but when the band kicks in to 'Evil' (followed by an amazing demonstration of drum supremacy from Appice) and when they close the show with a blistering take on 'Parchman Farm', it's more of an on-your-feet, having a GREAT time vibe! Bonus features include an incredible jam at the annual NAMM convention with Pat Travers, Warren Haynes, and Joe Bonamassa joining in for an out-of-this-world run through

'Oleo'; the music video for 'The Groover' (a song from this line-up's 'Cactus V' album of 2006, which I heartily endorsed in MM awhile back); band interviews; and testimonials about the legend and influence of Cactus from Ty Tabor (King's X), Uli Jon Roth, Vinnie Moore, ¾ of Anvil, and members of bands ranging from Arch Enemy and Megadeth to Red Hot Chili Peppers. THIS is rock 'n' roll. **The Impaler**

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