



Plastic Crimewave Sound: *s/t*

Freaking odd psychedelic punk prog. Yes, I actually mentioned all those words together. There is even a touch of jazz thrown in for good measure. This is one of those band where if you are “in the mood,” it works great. At times sounding to me like the Ramones doing Hawkwind or vica-versa, it just works in ways you would not think it should.

I have to admit having visions of a band that sought inspiration from the musical abomination that was Yoko Ono’s Plastic Ono band. Thankfully this is far from it.

“Shockwave Rider” is just that sort of Hawkwindish stuff that you can just see a bunch of stoned acid nuts dancing bizarrely to at some festival in the middle of some field in Cornwall or Vermont. They hail from Chicago, have been around for eons and even manage to sound a bit Kraftwerk or EN at times. There is a lot of clever stuff hidden behind the punky attitude.

Not sure what the hell you are going to make of this lot. You won’t be bored, that is for damn sure. But then again do you really need to have all your music so obvious that you “get it” right away?