



Marillion: *Somewhere in London*

Marillion are akin to the likes of Iron Maiden for their attention to their fans. This is one such example of Marillion's largesse. The DVD includes a film of rehearsal for this tour where they let in fans to watch. The crowded room instantly reminds one of the Beatles TV appearance with all their fans sat round them as they performed songs. The DVD lasts over 220 minutes and includes the complete gig plus oodles of extras. It's a feature length movie of the concert on their last tour with tunes that got cut on the second disc.

This is a quality release for those who love this band, and there are lots, ranging from the obsessive to the keen. This is a band that routinely pays for their recordings by pre-selling the releases to fans. The reviews of this CD by fans are on the money and not just derived from their fandom. Ok, the fact they didn't perform "Kayleigh", their biggest hit, does rather irk, but it proves that these gigs were greatly focused on the Steve Hogarth years rather than Fish's time in the band.

This is pretty much the ultimate Marillion experience short of seeing them live. It's hard to wonder why they have such a loyal fan base. This is the best live Marillion video so far and one that is not to be missed. It's great music whether or not you like the genre in its entirety.

Ok, that is your lot for this week. Now post-colonoscopy I am back into my pile of review CDs. Please check out the stuff that didn't make the column cut on my site. Stay rocking and check out live music where you can.