



Project: ALF
(Paul Fusco Productions)
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I'm not sure why this release was submitted to a hard rock/heavy metal website for review. But, I'm glad it was because...it's freakin' ALF, man. You've gotta love him. Not much to review since it's just the movie and, if you're an ALF fan, you already know the plot. I guess it wouldn't hurt to refresh your memory, huh? Okay, well, the original television show ended with an episode called "Consider Me Gone." ALF was on his way home and he ended up in military custody. "Project: ALF" picks up from there. Martin Sheen has a grudge against ALF, which is explained in the film and, because of that grudge, he's on a mission to terminate ALF. Luckily, William O'Leary and Jensen Dagget are on ALF's side and, when they learn of his scheduled termination, they kidnap ALF in order to save his life, with Martin Sheen hot on their tail. AFL is taken to another scientist, Miguel Ferrer, who wishes to expose him to the rest of the world...although he's not as kind as he seems to be and ALF is in more danger than anyone knows. How does it end? Well, you'll just have to pick up a copy to find out.

It's a good movie for what it is. Of course, ALF is the star of the show. Almost every line he has is a wise crack. The other characters don't seem to put too much effort into their performance. Although Ed Begley Jr.'s cameo gives ALF plenty of good lines and Ray Walston adds a bright spot about midway through the film. The lack of the Tanner family is what a lot of die hard ALF fans had a problem with...and the fact that they were supposedly placed in Iceland didn't go over too well either. So, you pretty much have to enjoy it for what it is. Bottom line...it's a good family movie.

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