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ELYSIUM THEORY The Debut Album "Modern Alchemy" Available at www.CdBaby.com

Raven Soul: 100 Bleeding Hearts

The European country of Portugal is slowly becoming a hot bed for Metal & Rock talent in the last few years and here, Raven Soul are just keeping that bed warmed up nicely.



With many influences worn proudly on their sleeves like badges of honor there's a distinct trail to their sound. Marcio 'Mac' Caetano certainly has a touch of Him's Ville Valo about him (all be it with a Portuguese accent) and there is without doubt some Dark Tranquility, Paradise Lost, Lacuna Coil and some Depeche Mode sprinkled into the mix. With the guitars offering plenty of chunk and crunch the songs also offer an element of gothic atmosphere very prevalent on 'I'll Die For You'. 'End Of The World' stomps along and kicks things off with the right amount of pace for an opening track, 'Chaos' with it's down tuned guitars and meandering background synth are also signs of what this band are endeavoring to accomplish. Like all bands where English is not their first language it takes a little time to get used to the vocals. This debut album from Raven soul is certainly a step in the right direction, excellent production and some great guitar work from Hugo Costa & Goncalo Rosa who even have time for some much required solo's. Let's hope they manage to keep their heads above the pool of many of the other acts vying for success.

Track Listing

1. End of the World
2. Save Me
3. Message from Earth

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3. Message from Far
4. I'll Die for you
5. lie
6. Forever Lost
7. Why.!?
8. Chaos

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