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MAGNI - s/t

Track Listing: If I Promised You The World, Play With Me, When The Time Comes, Addicted, You Say, Let Me In The Dark, See You Tonight, Alone, Words Unspoken, Tear Us Apart, World Alone, The Dolphins Cry Rating: 3 stars!

Magni is best remembered from his stint on the "Rockstar Supernova" tv show where Tommy Lee, Gilby Clarke & Jason Newsted were looking for a singer to complete their new "Super-group" which didn't really last past a few shows. The winner of that tv show was fast forgotten about as were most of the shows contestants. I was one of those faithful viewers of that show & I remember Magni; he was the bald guy from Iceland who lasted a few weeks on the show...his vocals were not as memorable as his looks on that show, but to my shock & probably to the surprise of most people reading this, Magni went on to record a handful o' records with his band back in Iceland & he achieved gold status on 4 of his records with his band back in Iceland. Signed to Spectra Records, which is essentially an indie label with major distribution here in the States, the new solo record from Magni is mostly slow, contemporary rock that's got a touch of Steve Winwood & Train mixed in with Mr. Magni's sound. "When The Time Comes" is the heaviest track on the disc & the rockers are few & far between on this disc...the bulk of the disc is focused on singer/songwriter oriented rock with flurries of electric guitar, but the overall aggression is limited. The cd closer is a live track, a cover of the Live song "The Dolphins Cry" & overall the disc is ok, I was actually hoping for more of a rock record, I wanted to hear the side of Magni that I heard on the Rockstar Supernova tv show, but what you get on this disc is Magni solo; he sings from the heart & on this disc emotion is more important than aggression.

~ Bob Suehs