

ASYLUM STREET SPANKERS

HOT LUNCH

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This, **Asylum Street Spankers'** sophomore recording, breezes in on acoustic guitar and ukulele strains and the words "Life ain't a cakewalk, it's a waltz/And they're playing my music out of time" - and it only gets better from there.

Indeed, the **Asylum Street Spankers**, a loose, unplugged collective of Austin, TX, pickers and bon vivants, seem to have little trouble, on Hot Lunch's 16 cuts, deftly blending virtuosic musicianship with seemingly effortless musical and lyrical wit.

The band flits between ragtime, country, old-style am radio pop tunes, swing, and country-blues with equal ease.

The Spankers - particularly on such puckish, narrative cuts as "Trippin' Over You," "Sad Bomber," and others - manage to walk the razor thin line between novelty and just plain fun-lovin' jamboree frolics.

It's this graceful self-awareness that separates **Asylum Street Spankers** from such less graceful musical revivalists as the Squirrel Nut Zippers.

In fact, on the cut "Smells Like Thirty-Something," the Spankers seem to, well, spank the mid-'90s swing revival craze on its rump, chiding, atop a rollicking, bluesy riff, "I like martinis/and I like cigars/But I hate martini and cigar bars." Somewhere between that sense of humor and vocalist/instrumentalist (for every Spanker is a multi-instrumentalist) Christina Marrs' sublime vocals lies the charm of **Asylum Street Spankers** as expressed in these grooves.

- Chris Handyside, *AllMusic Guide*

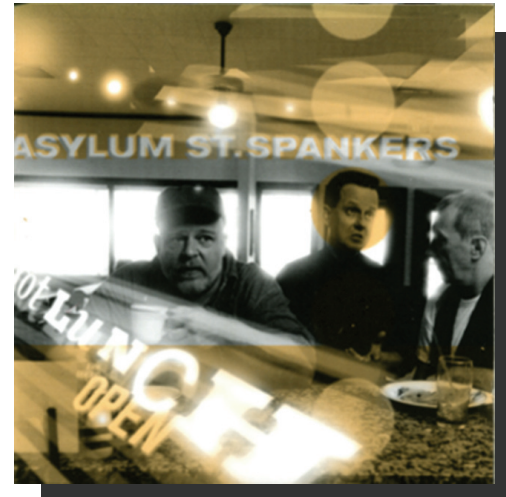
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"Cross Django Reinhardt with Dan Hicks and the Hot Licks and you might come up with the oddly effective mix of jazz and vaudeville that the Asylum Street Spankers purvey..." —Detroit Metro Times

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Track Listing

1. Cakewalk
2. I Don't Wanna
3. Trippin' Over You
4. U.F.O. Attack
5. If I Were You
6. Colonel Josh's B.B.Q.
7. Hot Lunch
8. Blue Prelude
9. Smells Like Thirty Something
10. Fanny
11. Island Angel
12. A Smo-o-oth One
13. Bijou
14. Sad Bomber
15. New Jazz Fiddle
16. Asylum Street Blues

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