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LADY BLACKBIRD

After months of anticipation, Lady Blackbird's already critically acclaimed debut album,

Black Acid Soul which was recorded in legendary Studio B (Prince's room) in Sunset Sound and produced by Grammy-nominated Chris Seefried has now been released via Foundation Music/BMG.

The long awaited release follows a rapturous recent UK tour that saw Blackbird (aka Marley Munroe) perform a sold out show at London's iconic **100 Club** and across the country at festivals including **We Out Here** and **Red Rooster Festival** in the Suffolk countryside.

To celebrate the release, Lady Blackbird recorded a live version of her latest single 'It'll Never Happen Again' at the iconic Capitol 'A' studio in LA. The song is a gentle, yet powerful, reinvention of another poignant obscurity written by Tim Hardin and which first appeared on the folk singer's seminal 1966 debut.

With a voice that has stopped critics in their tracks, Lady Blackbird is a revelatory new talent with music that transcends the jazz scene through which the LA-based artist is rooted. Reflecting influences as varied as Billie Holiday, Gladys Knight, Tina Turner and Chaka Khan, with critics drawing comparisons to Adele, Amy and Celeste, Lady Blackbird's distinct and beguiling talent is not one to be missed.

TRACKLIST

1 Blackbird

2 It's Not That Easy

3 Fix It

4 Ruler of my Heart

5 Nobody's Sweetheart

6 Collage

7 Five Feet Tall

8 Lost and Looking

9 It'll Never Happen Again

10 Beware the Stranger

11 Black Acid Soul



STANDARD 12" DOUBLE SIDED VINYL UPC 4050538711486 CAT NO. 538711481 GENRE JAZZ LIST PRICE \$24.98





STANDARD CD ALBUM

UPC 4050538709407 CAT NO. 538709402

GENRE JAZZ LIST PRICE \$13.98



BMG

ANAÏS MITCHELL

RELEASE DATE: JANUARY 28, 2022

BIO

As funny as it may sound, **ANAÏS MITCHELL** has spent the past 15 years in some kind of hell. OK, not actual hell, but the multi-faceted world of *Hadestown*, a musical project she began in Vermont in 2006 that has grown into a Tony®- and Grammy®-award-winning Broadway phenomenon with touring editions now delighting audiences as far away as South Korea.

As it did for many artists, the pandemic unexpectedly offered Mitchell a blank slate to reconnect with her own music. The result is a new self-titled album made

with close collaborators from Bon Iver, The National and her own band Bonny Light Horseman, Mitchell's first collection of all-new material under her own name since 2012's *Young Man in America*. Produced by Mitchell's Bonny Light Horseman bandmate Josh Kaufman, the album proceeds to chronicle Mitchell's reconnection with the Vermont roots that have been so formative in her life and music. Dubbed by NPR as "one of the greatest songwriters of her generation," Mitchell is a master of the worlds of narrative folksong,



poetry and balladry, and those talents are evident from the first moments of the new album.

Mitchell will debut the new material during various headline tours in the U.S. and Europe in 2022, at which she'll be accompanied by players from the album. On stage, she can't wait to further hone the sights, sounds and scenes that bring the songs to such vivid life. "I've spent a lot of time trying to write in the voice of other characters, especially with *Hadestown*. It's fun for me, but these songs are not that," she says. "Weirdly, they're all me. The narrator is me. That's why it felt right to self-title the album. It felt like after so many years of working on telling other stories, now here are some of mine."

SALES & MARKETING

- The first new solo album in a decade from the Tony® and Grammy®-award-winning creator of the Broadway musical Hadestown for which she wrote the book, music and lyrics. Hadestown won 8 Tony Awards overall including Best Musical as well as the Grammy for Best Musical Theater Album.
- ANAÏS MITCHELL is also known for her Grammy-nominated band Bonny Light Horseman as well as her collaboration on Big Red Machine's newest album How Long Do You Think It's Gonna Last? alongside Taylor Swift, members of The National and Fleet Foxes.
- ANAÏS MITCHELL was named to TIME's prestigious TIME100 list in 2020.
- Her past recordings include the original studio album of Hadestown (2010, featuring Justin Vernon and Ani Difranco), Young Man in America (2012), along with reinterpretations of traditional music including Child Ballads (2013, with Jefferson Hamer) and with Bonny Light Horseman. Her previous releases have been featured in year-end best lists, including NPR, Wall Street Journal, MOJO, Uncut, The Guardian, Sunday Times and The Obsever.
- Press to date for the album includes The New York Times, Pitchfork, Stereogum, Paste, Consequence, Brooklyn Vegan, NME, The Guardian, The Line of Best Fit, Sunday Times Culture.
- ANAÏS MITCHELL will be touring extensively in 2022 in support of the album release, including headlining tours in the U.S. from January 26-February 28 (with Bonny Light Horseman opening) and April-May and Europe in the summer and fall. Her band Bonny Light Horseman will also be supporting Bon Iver in June.
- First single "Bright Star" will impact AAA radio on January 10th in advance of album release
- Digital plan includes a multi-phase advertising plan, an official music video for "Bright Star" and a content series telling the story behind the creation of the album.



QUOTES

""BRIGHT STAR' is a worthy reintroduction to the openhearted luminosity of Mitchell's voice and lyricism." – THE NEW YORK TIMES

"One of the greatest songwriters of her generation." -NPR

"One of our great modern singer-songwriters." -TIME OUT

"A skilled storyteller" -PITCHFORK

"Most original artist working in the field of new American folk music" -THE INDEPENDENT

"Stands comparison with the great singer-songwriters of the past few decades"

-THE DAILY TELEGRAPH

TRACK LISTING

- 1. BROOKLYN BRIDGE
- 2. BRIGHT STAR
- 3. REVENANT
- 4. ON YOUR WAY (FELIX SONG)
- 5. REAL WORLD

- 6. BACKROADS
- 7. LITTLE BIG GIRL
- 8. NOW YOU KNOW
- 9. THE WORDS
- 10. WATERSHED

ARTIST: ANAÏS MITCHELL | TITLE: ANAÏS MITCHELL
RELEASE: 1/28/2022 | LABEL: BMG | GENRE: SINGER/SONGWRITER
HOMETOWN: VERMONT | FORMATS: LP, CD, DIG



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STANDARD LP I UPC: 4050538719581 | SRP: \$22.98 CAT #: 538719581 | BOX LOT: 10 PACKAGING: BLACK VINYL I NO DISCOUNT NOTES: VINYL IS NON-RETURNABLE

VAGRANT 25 BLACK REBEL MOTORCYCLE CLUB

BEAT THE DEVIL'S TATTOO





LIMITED EDITION

VAGRANT 25TH ANNIVERSARY / UNIQUE COLORED VINYL LP MADE FROM 100% RECYCLED MATERIALS (NOT PICTURED)

TRACKLISTING

LP₁

SIDE 1

SIDE 2

1. BEAT THE DEVIL'S TATTOO

1. SWEET FEELING

2. CONSCIENCE KILLER

2. EVOL

3. BAD BLOOD

3. MAMA TAUGHT ME BETTER

4. WAR MACHINE

4. RIVER STYX

LP 2

SIDE 1

SIDE 2

1. THE TOLL

1. LONG WAY DOWN

2. AYA

2. HALF-STATE

3. SHADOW'S KEEPER

LP

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CAT: 538703690

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FILE UNDER: ROCK

PACKAGING: GATEFOLD JACKET,

UNIQUE COLORED VINYL LP MADE

FROM 100% RECYCLED MATERIALS

RETURNABLE: NO

EXPLICIT: NO

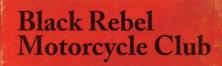
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RELEASE DATE: 1/28/22



WAGRANT 25 BLACK REBEL MOTORCYCLE CLUB

SPECTER AT THE FEAST



Specter At The Feast



EDITION

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TRACKLISTING

LP₁

SIDE 1

SIDE 2

1. FIRE WALKER

1. LULLABY

2. LET THE DAY BEGIN

2. HATE THE TASTE

3. RETURNING

3. RIVAL

LP₂

SIDE 1

SIDE 2

1. TEENAGE DISEASE

1. SELL IT

2. SOME KIND OF GHOST

2. LOSE YOURSELF

3. SOMETIMES THE LIGHT

4. FUNNY GAMES

LP

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FILE UNDER: ROCK

PACKAGING: GATEFOLD JACKET,

UNIQUE COLORED VINYL LP MADE

FROM 100% RECYCLED MATERIALS

RETURNABLE: NO

EXPLICIT: NO

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WAGRANT 25 BLACK REBEL MOTORCYCLE CLUB

WRONG CREATURES





LIMITED EDITION

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TRACKLISTING

LP₁

SIDE 1

SIDE 2

1. DFF

1. ECHO

2. SPOOK

2. NINTH CONFIGURATION

3. KING OF BONES 3. QUESTION OF FAITH

4. HAUNT

LP₂

SIDE 1

SIDE 2

1. CALLING THEM ALL AWAY

1. CARRIED FROM THE START

2. LITTLE THING GONE WILD

2. ALL RISE

3. CIRCUS BAZOOKO

LP

UPC: 4050538703665

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BOX LOT: 10

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UNIQUE COLORED VINYL LP MADE

FROM 100% RECYCLED MATERIALS

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EXPLICIT: NO

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TIMESOFGRACE

SONGS OF LOSS AND SEPARATION



Songs Of Loss and Separation, the sprawling second album from TIMES OF GRACE is insistent in its bluesiness, bleeding distortion and emotion, weaving effortlessly between pensive, heavy, midtempo rock riffs and atmosphere. The band's sophomore effort and first since 2011 channels a haunting romanticism and deep spiritual yearning that collide in beautiful melancholy. The vocal interplay of Adam Dutkiewicz and Jesse Leach makes for a rich, dense, and enthralling concoction, powering through various trips through dark nights of the soul and mind-expanding excursions into the wild.

"atmospheric and melodic" — Brooklyn Vegan

"the shades of grey shapeshift and collide with the electric power of clouds in a thunderstorm" — **Kerrang!**

"...the songs are nearly all of such quality, and so emotionally fitting for these turbulent times, that even sneering cynics might struggle to keep the tears in" — **Blabbermouth**

ARTIST
TITLE
LABEL
STREET DATE
HOMETOWN

Times Of Grace Songs of Loss and Separation Wicked Good Records January 28, 2022 Western Massachusetts

LIST PRICE: \$29.98 (2LP)

FORMATS: 2LP

VINYL PACKAGING: 2LP GATEFOLD TURQUOISE w/ ETCHING ON 4th SIDE

LIMITED PRESSING

UPCS: 190296737480 (2LP: Turquoise) BOX LOT: 30 CT. MASTER (INNER BOX: 15)

UNITS PER SET: 2 (LP)

FILE UNDER: ROCK, METAL

FOR FANS OF: STONE SOUR, THRICE, NEUROSIS, & KILLSWITCH ENGAGE

PARENTAL ADVISORY: NO

- Band consists of Adam Dutkiewicz and Jesse Leach, founding members of Killswitch Engage.
- Album landed at #1 on the iTunes Rock Charts on release
- · Currently working on radio plan for "To Carry The Weight"
- Worldwide marketing teams in place with focus on USA/ Canada, United Kingdom, Germany, Australia
- Press pickups include Revolver, Kerrang!, American Songwriter, Consequence of Sound, Blabbermouth, Brooklyn Vegan, & more

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B. Bleed Me Medusa Currents

C. To Carry The Weight Cold Forever VINYL











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SAXON

Innocence Is No Excuse

- ★ Originally released on June 24th 1985, SAXON seventh album Innocence Is No Excuse was their first for then new label EMI after their departure from Carrere Records.
- ★ This was also their last album to feature long standing bassist Steve Dawson, who alongside vocalist Biff Byford, guitarists Graham Oliver and Paul Quinn and drummer Nigel Glockler recorded the album at Union Studios in Munich, Germany with producer Simon Hanhart. It was subsequently mixed at Wiseloord Studios in Hilversum, Netherlands. *
- This version features the B-Sides of the singles "Back On The Streets" and "Rock'n'roll Gipsy" plus demo versions of tracks from the album recorded at Chapel Studio, Thorsby.
- 1. Rockin' Again
- 2. Call Of The Wild
- 3. Back On The Streets
- 4. Devil Rides Out
- 5. Rock N'Roll Gipsy
- 6. Broken Heroes
- 7. Gonna Shout
- 8. Everybody Up 9. Raise Some Hell
- 9. Raise Some Hell
- 10. Give It Everything You've Got

CD Bonus Tracks:

- 11. Live Fast, Die Young (B Side)
- 12. Krakatoa (B Side)
- 13. Broken Heroes (Demo version)
- 14. Devil Rides Out (Demo version)
- Rock N'Roll Gipsy (Demo version)
- 16. Rockin' Again (Demo version)
- 17. Shout It Out (Demo version)



SAXON

Rock The Nations

- ★ On October 13th 1986 SAXON released their eighth studio album Rock The Nations. Recorded at WisseloordStudios, Hilversum in the Netherlands by Gary Lyons.
- Biff Byford, who had incidentally begun his career as a singer/bassist, recorded all the bass parts on the album, however Paul Johnson is credited on the album as he joined before the album was released.
- * Rock The Nations also features the unlikely guest of Elton John on piano on the tracks "Northern Lady" and "Party Til You Puke."
- ★ This version features radio edits of the singles from the album, some live B-Sides and three songs recorded by the BBC from SAXON's set at 1986's, Reading Festival.
- 1. Rock The Nations
- 2. Battle Cry
- 3. Waiting For The Night
- 4. We Came Here To Rock
- 5. You Ain't No Angel
- 6. Running Hot
- 7. Party 'Til You Puke
- 8. Empty Promises
- 9. Northern Lady

CD Bonus Tracks:

- 10. Chase The Fade (B Side)
- 11. Waiting For The Night (Radio Edit)
- 12. Northern Lady (Radio Edit)
- 13. Everybody Up (Live B Side)
- 14. Dallas 1pm (Live B Side)
- Power & The Glory (BBC Live At Reading)
- Rock The Nations
 (BBC Live At Reading)
- 17. Waiting For The Night (BBC Live At Reading)



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SAXON

Destiny

- ★ SAXON's ninth studio album, Destiny was originally released on June 20th 1988 and was produced by Stephan Galfas at Hook And Manor studio in Berkshire, England.
- It is the only album to feature the rhythm section of Nigel Duram (drums) and Paul Johnson (bass) alongside long serving members Biff Byford (vocals), Graham Oliver (guitar) and Paul Quinn (guitar).
- * Being a fan of Christopher Cross' song writing, Biff came up with the idea of covering his track "Ride Like The Wind" as the albums lead single, after giving it a 'Wheels Of Steel' style makeover.
- ★ This version includes a 12" mix of 'I Can't Wait Anymore' plus live B-Sides and some alternative monitor mixes.
- 1. Ride Like The Wind
- 2. Where The Lightning Strikes
- 3. I Can't Wait Anymore
- 4. S.O.S.
- 5. Song For Emma
- 6. For Whom The Bell Tolls
- 7. We Are Strong
- 8. Jericho Siren
- 9. Red Alertt

CD Bonus Tracks:

- 10. I Can't Wait Anymore
 - (12" mix)
- 11. Rock The Nations (Live B side)
- 12. Broken Heroes (Live B side)
- 13. Gonna Shout (Live B side)
- 14. Ride Like The Wind (Monitor Mix)
- 15. For Whom The Bell Tolls (Monitor Mix



SAXON

Crusader

- Originally released on April 16th 1984, SAXON's sixth album was produced by Kevin Beamish at the legendary Sound City Studios, in Los Angeles.*
- ★ It featured the band's first recorded cover song, a version of the Sweet's "Set Me Free" and the singles' "Sailing To America," "Just Let me Rock" and "Do It All For You."
- This version includes early working versions of some of the songs featured on the album and also the songs "Borderline" and "Helter Skelter" that didn't make the final track listing of Crusader.
- 1. The Crusader Prelude
- Crusader
- 3. A Little Bit Of What You Fancy
- 4. Sailing To America
- 5. Set Me Free
- 6. Just Let Me Rock
- 7. Bad Boys (Life To Rock N'Roll)
- 8. Do It All For You
- 9. Rock City
- 10. Run For Your Lives

CD Bonus Tracks:

- 11. Borderline
- 12. Helter Skelter
- 13. Crusader
- 14. Do It All For You
- 15. A Little Bit Of What You Fancy
- 16. Sailing To America
- 17. Just Let Me Rock
- 18. Do It All For You (Intro) / Run For Your Lives
- 19. Living For The Weekend



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SAXON

The Eagle Has Landed (Live)

- ★ Originally released in May 1982, The Eagle Has Landed was SAXON's first live album to be recorded and also the first album to feature long standing drummer, Nigel Glockler.
- ★ Taking its name from the band's huge eagle lighting rig it was recorded on the European leg of their "Denim And Leather" tour during 1981 and was mixed at Manor And Bray Sound Studio. It was an instant hit and reached number 5 in the UK charts upon its release.
- ★ This edition features bonus live tracks recorded at London's famous Hammersmith Odeon during sold out SAXON headline concerts from 1981 and 1982.
- 1. Motorcycle Man (Live)
- 747 (Strangers In The Night) (Live)
- 3. Princess Of The Night (Live)
- 4. Strong Arm Of The Law (Live)5. Heavy Metal Thunder (Live)
- 6. 20,000 Ft. (Live)
- 7. Wheels Of Steel (Live)
- 8. Never Surrender (Live)
- 9. Fire In The Sky (Live)
- 10. Machine Gun (Live)

CD Bonus Tracks:

- 11. And The Bands Played On (Live)
- 12. See The Light Shining (Live)
- 13. Frozen Rainbow (Live)
- 14. Midnight Rider (Live)
- 15. Dallas 1pm (Live)
- 16. Hungry Years (Live)



SAXON

Saxon

- ★ SAXON's self-titled debut album was originally released on May 21st 1979 and is arguably the first NWOBHM album to be committed to tape.
- ★ It took the new sound of NWOBHM and paired it up with their early progressive and glam rock influences. It was the band in their infancy but ultimately put them on the map as one of the bands spearheading the heavy metal revival that was sweeping the nation at that the end of the seventies.
- This version includes their early demo when the band were called Son Of A Bitch, some early BBC session tracks and some live songs from the inaugural Monsters of Rock festival.
- 1. Rainbow Theme
- 2. Frozen Rainbow
- 3. Big Teaser
- 4. Judgement Day
- Stallions Of The Highway
- 6. Backs To The Wall
- 7. Still Fit To Boogie
- 8. Militia Guard

CD Bonus Tracks:

- Big Teaser (demo 1978)
 Stallions Of The Highway (demo 1978)
- 11. Backs To The Wall (demo 1978)
- 12. Rainbow Theme (demo 1978)

- 13. Frozen Rainbow (demo 1978)
- Backs To The Wall (BBC session 1980)
- Stallions Of The Highway (BBC session 1980)
- 16. Motorcycle Man (BBC session 1980)
- 17. Still Fit To Boogie (BBC session 1980)
- 18. 747 (Strangers In The Night) (BBC session 1980)
- 19. Judgement Day (BBC session 1980)
- 20. Still Fit To Boogie (Live at Donington 1980)
- 21. Backs To The Wall (BBC session 1980)
- 22. Stallions Of The Highway (BBC session 1980)



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SAXON Wheels Of Steel

- ★ SAXON's second album, Wheels Of Steel was originally released in 1980 and propelled the band to stardom, going gold in the UK and spawning two top 40 singles – "747 (Strangers In The Night)" and "Wheels Of Steel," which have remained live favourites to this day.
- * Wheels Of Steel is hailed as a heavy metal classic and a genre defining moment
- ★ This version includes some rare demos and live tracks from the inaugural Monsters Of Rock festival, held at Castle Donington in 1980.
- 1. Motorcycle Man
- 2. Stand Up And Be Counted
- 3. 747 (Strangers In The Night)
- 4. Wheels Of Steel
- 5. Freeway Mad
- 6. See The Light Coming
- 7. Street Fighting Gang
- 8. Suzie Hold On
- Machine Gun

CD Bonus Tracks:

- 10. Suzie Hold On
- (1980 demo rehearsals)
- 11. Wheels Of Steel (1980 demo rehearsals)
- 12. Stallions Of The Highway
- (Live B-side)
 13. Motorcycle Man
- (Live at Donington 1980) 14. Freeway Mad
- (Live at Donington 1980)
- Wheels Of Steel (Live at Donington 1980)
- 747 (Strangers In The Night) (Live at Donington 1980)
- Machine Gun (Live at Donington 1980)



SAXON

Strong Arm Of The Law

- Strong Arm of The Law was originally released in 1980, a mere six months after SAXON's second album Wheels Of Steel to capitalise on the bands rollercoaster success.
- Like its predecessor this album is heralded as a timeless, heavy metal classic and many of its songs remain live favourites today, over 30 years after its initial release.
- ★ This version includes a BBC session, some remixes and an early demo.
- 1. Heavy Metal Thunder
- 2. To Hell And Back Again
- 3. Strong Arm Of The Law
- 4. Taking Your Chances
- 5. 20,000 FT
- 6. Hungry Years
- 7. Sixth Form Girls
- 8. Dallas 1PM

CD Bonus Tracks:

- 9. 20,000 FT (BBC session 1982)
- 10. Dallas 1PM (BBC session 1982)11. The Eagle Had Landed
- 11. The Eagle Had Landed (BBC session 1982)
- 12. 747 (Strangers In The Night) (BBC session 1982)
- 13. To Hell And Back Again (Abbey Road mix)
- 14. 20,000FT (Abbey Road mix)
- 15. Mandy (Early version of Sixth Form Girls)
- Heavy Metal Thunder (Abbey Road mix)



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SAXON Denim And Leather

- ★ SAXON's fourth album, Denim & Leather was originally released on October 5th 1981. It was recorded at Aquarius Studios in Geneva.
- ★ Arguably their most successful record to date it spawned the classic singles "Princess Of The Night," "Never Surrender" and the song "And The Band's Played On," which was inspired by their appearance at the inaugural Monsters Of Rock festival in 1980.
- ★ This edition contains the B Sides of the "Never Surrender" single and seven live tracks recorded on the Denim And Leather tour of 1981.
- 1. Princess Of The Night
- 2. Never Surrender
- 3. Out Of Control
- 4. Rough And Ready
- 5. Play It Loud
- 6. And The Bands Played On
- 7. Midnight Rider
- 8. Fire In The Sky
- 9. Denim And Leather

CD Bonus Tracks:

- 10. 20,000Ft (Remix)
- 11. Bap Shoo Ap (Live At Donington)

- 12. Intro / And The Band Played On (Live)
- Princess Of The Night (Live At The Rainbow '81)
- Midnight Rider (Live At Hammersmith '81)
- 15. Never Surrender
 (Live At Hammersmith '81)
- 16. Machine Gun
- (Live At Hammersmith '81)
- 17. Play It Loud (Live At Hammersmith '81)



SAXON

Power And The Glory

- ★ SAXON's fifth album, Power And The Glory was originally released on March 21th 1983 and was produced by Jeff Glixman at Axis Sound Studios in Atlanta.
- ★ The album spawned two singles, "Nightmare" and the title track, "Power And The Glory" and also marked the replacement of drummer Pete Gill with Nigel Glockler, who remains a member of SAXON to this day.
- ★ This version includes early working demos of songs from the album, recorded in 1982
- 1. Power And The Glory
- 2. Redline
- 3. Warrior
- 4. Nightmare
- 5. This Town Rocks6. Watching The Sky
- 7. Midas Touch
- 8. The Eagle Has Landed

CD Bonus Tracks:

- 9. Make Em Rock
- 10. Turn Out The Lights
- 11. Turn Out The Lights (Demo '82)
- 12. Stand Up And Rock (Demo '82)
- 13. Power And The Glory (Demo '82)
- 14. Saturday Night (Demo '82)15. Midas Touch (Demo '82)
- 16. Nightmare (Demo '82)
- 17. Redline (Demo '82)



CD | List Price: \$13.98 | Release Date: 1/28/22 Discount: 3% Discount (Through 1/28/22)

Packaging: TBD | UPC: 4050538696462 | Returnable: NO

Box Lot: TBD | Units Per Set: 1 | File Under: Rock



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Release Date: 01/28/2022

- ★ ICONIC URIAH HEEP titles available for the first time on Limited Edition picture disc
- ★ Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the formation of URIAH HEEP



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- ★ Featuring the Classic URIAH HEEP line-up
- The debut album which helped pioneer the heavy metal genre
- ★ Includes the debut single "Gypsy"
- ★ Artwork available for the first time on picture disc
- A-SIDE 1. Gypsy
 - 2. Walking In Your Shadow
 - 3. Come Away Melinda
 - 4. Lucy Blues
- B-SIDE 1
 - 1. Dreammare
 - 2. Real Turned On
 - 3. I'll Keep On Trying
 - 4. Wake Up (Set Your Sights)



URIAH HEEP Salisbury

- ★ Featuring the Classic URIAH HEEP line-up
- ★ The Iconic album from the hard rock pioneers
- * Artwork available for the first time on picture disc
- ★ Includes the anthem "Lady In Black"
- A-SIDE 1. Bird of Prey
 - 2. The Park
 - 3. Time to Live
 - 4. Lady in Black
- B-SIDE 1.
- 1. High Priestess
 - 2. Salisbury



LP | List Price: \$31.98 | Release Date: 01/28/2022

Discount: No Discount

Packaging: 12" Picture Disc in in PVC wallet UPC: 4050538689785 | Returnable: NO Box Lot: TBD | Units Per Set: 1 | File Under: Rock



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3. SNAIL I

4. SNAIL II

5. MOSQUITO

6.CROW

7 . M D T I

8.SPIDER

9.WORMS

IO. LEECHES II

II. VERMII

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13.VÆRMIN



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FORMAT STANDARD CD ALBUM
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GENRS POP LIST PRICE \$15.98 HOX LOT 30





- ★Red & Black Splatter Vinyl version of SLADE's first Live album SLADE ALIVE!
- **★**Originally released on March 24, 1972
- ★ Entered the UK album chart at #2 and remained in it for 58 weeks
- ★2009 Remaster



SIDE A

- 1. Hear Me Calling (Live)
- 2. In Like A Shot From My Gun (Live)
- 3. Darling Be Home Soon (Live)
- 4. Know Who You Are (Live)

SIDE B

- 1. Keep On Rocking (Live)
- 2. Get Down And Get With It (Live)
- 3. Born To Be Wild (Live)









LP | List Price: \$29.98 | Release Date: 1/28/22

Discount: No Discount

Packaging: Red & Black Splatter Vinyl in Gatefold Jacket

UPC: 4050538659313 | Returnable: NO Box Lot: TBD | Units Per Set: 1 | File Under: Rock



REALMS

For fans of Rush, Evanescence and Progressive Metal!

The synergistic sound and seemingly-telepathic energy behind **Dianthus** can be traced to their beginnings in the heart of Riverside, California. Inspired by the well-known perennial flower, twin sisters (**Jackie and Jessica Parry**) bring forth delicate, yet dominant voices to the metal scene.

An early upbringing in classical piano led them to begin creating music together at a young age. Not long after, they were captivated by the heavier genres in metal. The two enhanced their musical palettes with the addition of drums and electric guitar. Since forming, **Dianthus** has gained the likes of well-respected musicians such as **Matt Sorum** (*Guns 'N Roses / Velvet Revolver / Hollywood Vampires / The Cult*) and **Jeremy 'Jinxx' Ferguson** (*Black Veil Brides*) who produced their debut CD.

The twin metal duo are now ready to release their brand new album "Realms" which was produced by Steve Evetts (*The Dillinger Escape Plan, Symphony X, Butcher Babies, etc.*). They had previewed the tracks "Realms" and "Creeping In" during the height of the pandemic in 2020 and now have finally been able to get in the studio and finish up their much anticipated sophomore release.

"Dianthus just released their new single "Realms" and it's probably going to get stuck in your head. The duo employ soaring guitar melodies, perfectly grounded drums, and excellent vocal hooks through the track for an overall killer experience."

Metal Injection

Currently planning 2022 tour dates.



DIANTHUS "Dealers"

"Realms"

Release: January 28, 2022 Parental Advisory: No File Under: Metal / Hard Rock

Format: CD (Digipak) CD Cat.no: DEKO1039-2 CD UPC: 691026178561 CD cost/list price: \$10.31/\$15.98



Tracklist:

1. Realms
2. My First Breath
3. Don't Change
4. Creeping In
5. The Quest for Nessie
6. Spines
7. A Space in the Silence
8. The Returning
9. Lonicera
10. Heart's Ease
11. Nora's Finding
12. Secrets & Promises

WEB: https://www.dianthuslive.com/





Snarls - What About Flowers?



- 1. Fixed Gear
- 2. For You
- 3. I'll Follow You
- 4. Sparkling
- 5. If Only

Artist: Snarls

Title: What About Flowers?

Catalogue / Selection #: T3H2-094

UPC: 605491107599

Release Date: 1/28/2022

Price: \$5.98

Parental Advisory: N/A

Genre / File Under: Alternative / Rock

Discount: 7% thru street date





"Everything sort of lined up, but I don't believe in coincidences." Chlo White could be talking about any of the several key moments in her musical history: meeting best friend and bassist Riley Hall on the first day at a new school while they both wore the same pair of obscure Vans, being soon introduced to guitarist Mick Martinez that same week, and then finding drummer Max floating around their garage practice space. That might've been the easiest part of the puzzle. He's Mick's brother.

Snarls, the Columbus band built from these cosmic connections, is an exercise in manifestation. After their debut album Burst captured an early audience with its glittering, wide-eyed take on indie pop, the band regrouped to enter the cavernous wilderness of their next phase. "We had time to stew on this new aura our band has for this release. We have entirely new musical influences, and working with Chris Walla—that's when it hit me that we're in a band," White gushes. If Snarls had to fold up their new aura into an easily packaged hype paragraph, they probably wouldn't. "We're in the 'pressed flowers' phase of our band," White continues. "Burst was taking a fistful of glitter and throwing it, but this EP was more intentional."

What About Flowers?, Snarls' Walla-produced EP, pulses with the rhythm of the Pacific Northwest. It's a release that shines in solitude and asks questions of absences: the same winning formula that's gripped the region for decades. In the year-plus since Burst, the band has scaled their emotional intelligence to match their growth off-mic, transforming the simmering "For You" from a tender moment into a tortured one and opener "Fixed Gear" from worry to weightlessness. "If Only," the set's closer, is another ghostly expression of tension and release—when the band lets up for air, the lyrics are choked by confusion and loneliness. The floating understanding of wanting to be together and missing the things that make one whole pervades much of Flowers?, the second act of Snarls' identity play.

Chlo remembers being young and spellbound by the Columbus skyline, so much so that sharing Seattle with Riley awakened a shared dream: this band was real. Snarls has flourished through similar unspoken realizations: playing packed house shows on their first runs, forecasting their "leaps and bounds" via a tarot reading the night before an album release, watching the tender thread between artist and listener be forged in real-time. This one just found the words.



February 4

ORDERS DUE DECEMBER 31*

Artist: Saxon
Title: Carpe Diem

Release date: 4th February 2022

Territory: World Ex. Japan

Genre: Metal





FORMAT 1: CD Album (Digipack)

Pre-Order launch: November 2nd timed pre-order

Cat no: SLM08901 / **UPC:** 190296503207

RSP: \$16.98 - 3% Discount applicable till Street Date



FORMAT 2: Black Vinyl Album Gatefold with Insert Pre-Order launch: November 2nd timed pre-order Cat no: SLM089P42 / UPC: 190296613197

RSP: \$35.98



SAXON GO FULL CARPE DIEM WITH THEIR LATEST STUDIO RELEASE

Saxon, those seminal British Heavy Metal Heroes hailing from Barnsley, UK, will release **Carpe Diem** on February 4th 2022 through Silver Lining Music. Ten titanic tracks bristling with still-clad riffery and proud intent, **Carpe Diem** is the statement which reminds heavy metal fans worldwide who the true masters of British Metal are, drawing on a variety of ingredients from their career to forge what is **Saxon**'s most dynamic release in many a year.

"It all starts with the riff," says frontman and co-founder **Biff Byford**, "if the riff speaks to me, then we're on our way. It's a very intense album, and that's all down to the fact that the essence of a great metal song is the riff that starts it, and this album has loads of them."

From the title track's roll-back attack to the incessant speed and power of "Super Nova", this is Saxon at their purest and most definitive, aggressively parading the pure metal flag and imploring fans old and new to gather and celebrate the very best of both Saxon and the genre itself. "All for One" has the stomp and pure power of a "Princess of the Night" while "The Pilgrimage" is classic "Crusader"-era Saxon. Produced by Andy Sneap (Judas Priest, Exodus, Accept and Richie Faulkner) at Backstage Recording Studios in Derbyshire with Byford with Sneap mixing and mastering, Carpe Diem strikes the ear as one of the most essential British Metal statements of the last few years, one which will ignite the joy in stalwart supporters and attract a whole new legion to the Saxon fold.

"I love that sort of fast metal. I love Princess of the Night and 20,000 FT and I try and bring that style of Saxon into the music now but in a bit more modern style" affirms **Byford** "but it's the same five guys playing it and singing it, so I think we don't really sound like an old band on records because we're not really sitting back on our past success. We're always trying to make a great album."

"We want every album we make to go platinum," says **Byford** defiantly. "We never make an album that we don't expect to be fantastic because there are no laurels around here, only a commitment to the best songs and riffs we can write." **Saxon** have certainly made sure to **Seize the Day**; be sure you join them.

Track Listing CD + Digital:

- 1. Carpe Diem (Seize the Day)
- 2. Age of Steam
- 3. The Pilgrimage
- 4. Dambusters
- 5. Remember the Fallen
- 6. Super Nova
- 7. Lady In Gray
- 8. All for One 9. Black is the Night
- 10. Living On the Limit

Track Listing Vinyl:

- 1A. Carpe Diem (Seize the Day)
- 2A. Age of Steam
- 3A. The Pilgrimage
- 4A. Dambusters
- 5A. Remember the Fallen
- 1B. Super Nova
- 2B. Lady In Gray
- 3B. All for One
- 4B. Black is the Night
- 5B. Living On the Limit





Tom Jones



UPC: 4050538766639

Label: BMG

Artist: Tom Jones

Title: Surrounded By Time (The Hourglass Edition)

Discount: n/a Format: 2 CD

Packaging: Digipak

Price: \$18.98 Box Lot: 30

Street: 2/4/22



Surrounded By Time (The Hourglass Edition) Deluxe CD Out Feb 4

Features 2 new tracks, live recordings from Shepherd's Bush Empire and an exclusive interview with Tom Jones

"A triumph of hope and experience..." - THE INDEPENDENT

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The Unholy Return Of The Black Metal Gods: Dark, Merciless, Straight & Deadly



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Tracklist:

- 1. Belial is My Name
- 2. Seven Headed Dragon
- 3. Hell Demons Rising
- 4. Letters From The Devil
- 5. Darkness in Flames
- 6. The Arrival of Baphomet
- 7. Curse of the Wolf Demon
- 8. Satanic Mistress

Singles & Videos:

1. Single & Video 19.11. "Letters From The Devil" 2. Single & Lyric Video 07.01. "Belial Is My Name" 3. Single & Lyric Video 04.02. "Darkness In Flames"

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- MysticCircleOfficial 7909+ followers
- -600k+ monthly listeners & 2000+ followers

Artist: MYSTIC CIRCLE Title: MYSTIC CIRCLE Releasedate: 02/04/2022 Label: ATOMIC FIRE RECORDS File Under: BLACK METAL Format: CD / LP / DIGITAL

Catalog: AFR0010DP / AFR0010VB **List Price:** \$15.98 (DP) / \$26.98 (VB)

UPC: 4251981700243 (DP) / 4251981700250 (VB)

Description:

Founded in 1992 in Ludwigshafen/Germany, MYSTIC CIRCLE quickly riled up the underground with their first three demos, and established themselves as the biggest national black metal band in 1998 when releasing the concept album "Drachenblut". Seven albums later, the band decided to take an extended hiatus to devote themselves to other projects in 2006. By 2020, the two protagonists and original members Beelzebub and A. Blackwar reconnected and realized that their musical fates are still entwined and they are on the same page about the ideas to yet unleash unto the world. Their shared goals and the implementations took shape quickly and the two musicians found a producer and partner in Nils Lesser who understood and completed their dark vision. The result is more aggressive and voluminous, but with all the recognizable roots of their early phase. A first precursor will appear at the end of 2021 with the 7-inch single "Letters From The Devil", limited to 666 copies, followed by their self-titled reunion album "Mystic Circle" in frosty February 2022. Those who specifically love the cult band's first three works, grew up listening to the likes of POSSESSED and MORBID ANGEL as well as idolized acts like DARK FUNERAL and MARDUK, will love MYSTIC CIRCLE in its current reincarnation.

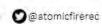
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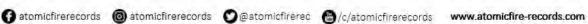
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- 8th studio album, the first one after 16 years
- Produced by Nils Lesser (Cypecore a.o.)
- Cover version of "Death Metal" by Possessed
- First single "Letters From The Devil" also available on 7inch Vinyl, limited to 666

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