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Band: Arvas (N)

Genre: Black Metal

Label: Mighty Music

Albumtitle: Black Path

Duration: 54:13

Releasedate: 24.03.2017



Arvas from Norway will publish their fourth studio album at the end of March. Unfortunately, the troop was completely unknown to me so far. This changed when I listened to their new work "Black Path" though.

Black metal of the down-to-earth kind shoots out of the boxes in a furious and hassled way here. Classic-looking guitar riffs form the foundation of this sound along with a banging drum. Frequently, the guitar also takes over the melody during solo parts. On this disc the guitars are especially pleasant to listen to. The predominantly keening voice of screamer ColdBound alternates now and then into growling or there are times when both is combined.

The attitude of the troupe reminds of the era of black metal at the end of the nineties, when protagonists such as Dark Funeral or Gorgoroth prevailed with this sound. The production of the album has turned out to be very powerful and differentiated. Fortunately, no garage Blackmetal is celebrated here.

The titles are mostly very jagged and quickly played through and thus drive the record well. Classic black metal, which has energy and power, without feeling long-winded or unpretentious.

The disc is rounded off with a grand cover of the Mercyful Fate classic "Evil". Within this title, singer ColdBound shows that he also has a different vocal ability. Thumbs and metal-fork up for this successful tribute!

Conclusion:

Thundering and violent Black Metal is presented on "Black Path". Black-toned music, rough and original, with many good melodies and solos. As a sound role model, Dark Funeral or Gorgoroth can be named here. Traditional steel of the black variety from Norway. A must-have for lovers of this section!

Rating: 8/10

Recommendations: Hellhunts, This Scarred Soul, ...For The Fallen Shall Arise

Weblink: <http://www.facebook.com/Arvasblackmetal>

LineUp:

ColdBound - Vocals

V-Rex - Guitars

Sturm - Guitars

Session Member - Bass

Snuff-X - Drums

Tracklist:

01. Blackpath
02. The Ferocious Stigma
03. Unhallowed Grace
04. I Am Thy Grief
05. Hellhunts
06. In Solitude I Dwell
07. This Scarred Soul
08. Murder Is Patience
09. Bergdjaevul
10. ...For The Fallen Shall Arise
11. Evil (Mercyful Fate Tribute)

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