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Band: One Machine (GB)

Genre: Progressive / Groove / Power / Thrash Metal

Label: Scarlet Records

Albumtitle: The Final Cull

Duration: 44:33

Releasedate: 18.09.2015



Steve Smyth, some may also know him from Testament, Nevermore, Forbidden, Dragonlord and Vicious Rumors - all of them are groups in which the guitarist was involved - raises attention again. His formation "One Machine" is to release its second album "The Final Cull" on the market on the 18.09.2015.

With Jamie Hunt (guitar), Chris Hawkins (vocals), Michele Sanna (drums) and Stefano Selvatico (bass) the international group gets completed.

The guys play Progressive/Groove/Power/Thrash Metal, which sounds like a really interesting combination, and exactly this is what we finally get. The longplayer is a successful mixture of the above mentioned genres, therefore everyone will find something interesting for him-/herself, but nevertheless one has to listen various times to understand the music.

Mister Smyth picked out the best from his former bands and united it, whereby he shows that nowadays Metal does not have to be restricted to one genre. Some years ago, such an output with this mixture of styles and compositions would have been unimaginable.

Each song has its subtleties and one could write about each one of them.

Already the opening song "Forewarning" appears as thrashing as a steamroller and reminds of the old Testament. Doublebase passages, precise and fast guitar riffs and a vocalist who shouts his soul out of his lungs. Take this and you have your track, you do not need anything more.

The fifth song "The Grand Design" shows all the knowledge of this band. An oriental touched introduction, followed by a verse that adapt on it seamlessly, hard Doom riffs and then a refrain that provides a real goose bump feeling. Really well done, absolutely brilliant and a highlight of the album. Just for expressing what is given with this single track other bands would need a whole album.

Only with the title "Ashes In The Sky" the guys reduce their speed for an emotional half ballad in best Nevermore manner. Beautiful acoustic riffs with a gentle voice within the verses, also this is mastered by the band.

Conclusion:

One Machine have shown courage and express that Metal in the year 2015 has almost no borders. This release will find its fans already because of its variety. Who likes the above mentioned bands should listen to this.

Rating 8,5/10

Recommendations: Forewarning, Ashes In The Sky

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Lineup:

Chris Hawkins - Vocals

Jamie Hunt - Guitars

Steve Smyth – Guitars / Backing Vocals

Stefano Selvatico - Bass

Michele Sanna - Drums

Tracklist:

01. Forewarning

02. The Final Cull

03. Summoning of the Soul

04. Screaming for Light

05. The Grand Design

06. New Motive Power

07. Ashes in the Sky

08. Born From This Hate

09. Welcome to the World

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