

THE SHIVER Walpurgis

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NORTH AMERICAN EXCLUSIVE

Genre

FILE UNDER - S - ROCK



DESCRIPTION

Heavy prog-psych with tons of organ and fuzz guitar courtesy of **The Shiver** from Switzerland. This is their sole album from 1969, housed in a sinister cover designed by surrealist painter **H.R. Giger** (his first album cover work). Originally formed in the mid-'60s in St. Gallen (Switzerland) as a beat, R&B band in the vein of **Spencer Davis Group** or **The Yardbirds** (and featuring an English vocalist), The Shivers dropped soon the "s" from their name at the same time as they adopted the early progressive sounds of British bands like **Procol Harum** or **Moody Blues**. After winning the first prize at a couple of major music festivals and even sharing stage with **Pink Floyd**, they started recording their first album. Combining interesting cover versions (the LP opens with a monster heavy cover of Procol Harum's "Repent Walpurgis") and original songs, the album is a perfect example of the transition from beat and blues-rock to psychedelia and heavy prog.

TRACKLISTING

- A1. Repent Walpurgis
- A2. Ode To The Salvation Army
- A3. Leave This Man Alone
- A4. What's Wrong About The Blues
- B1. Hey Mr. Holy Man
- B2. Don't Let Me Be Misunderstood
- B3. No Time
- B4. The Peddle

HIGHLIGHTS

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- RIYL: Procol Harum, Moody Blues, Pink Floyd.

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