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VALIANT THORR



To best sum these guys up is a quote from the singer—"People say we are too far ahead of the times or too far behind them." Indeed, this brand of unadulterated rock and roll put forth by this left field act doesn't happen every day, maybe once a decade—maybe. They cram 10 pounds of jam band fury into a 5 pound bag, yielding a blend of Thin Lizzy, Clutch, KISS, and the Hellacopters. "Legend of the World" comes out firing, taking a swing at everything from normalcy to the Bush administration. The music shakes, burns, squalls and pummels, all simultaneously, with an unrelenting guitar attack. The solos are like a mix of Iron Maiden getting high on moonshine with Lynryd Skynyrd. I can't tell you enough how much you need this in your daily life. And it's only a matter of time before the rest of the world catches on, this band's soul motor is lit—last year they logged an incredible 300 days on the road and still found time to record this seething beast. Valiant Thorr is the equivalent of Godzilla stomping around in Washington DC on 20 feet tall platform shoes, gyrating like he's possessed by the spirit of Wayne Kramer.