## Mp3 Eric Steckel Band - Havana

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Spirited and soulful guitar oriented Blues from Eric Steckel and his talented and cohesive band. Deeply rooted in the Blues, this live record celebrates the arrival of Duane Trucks on drums and recalls the sound of the 60s and 70s Blues Rock era. 11 MP3 Songs BLUES: Guitar Blues, ROCK: 70's Rock Details: Originally from Pennsylvania where he was first known for his energetic guest appearances with many of the area's finest performers, Eric's early musical influences inspired him to pick up his first Fender Stratocaster at the age of nine. There was no looking back..... Eric's passion for the Blues enabled him to eventually share the stage with many nationally known artists including Bob Margolin, Debbie Davies, James Armstrong, Steve Guyger, Kenny Neal, Chris Beard, Tommy Castro, Joe Kubek, Solomon Burke, Ronnie Baker Brooks and Hubert Sumlin. With a feeling and natural ability that just can't be explained for someone so young, Eric delivers a Freddie-BB-Albert King influenced performance with an intensity and skill that belies the fact that he is only 15 years old. With a style at times reminiscent of the great ones, Eric combines a variety of influences while reminding everyone the real thing comes from the heart and soul. The Eric Steckel Band's debut CD, "A Few Degrees Warmer", was recorded live in April 2002 when Eric was a mere 11 years old. A Few Degrees quickly became a CD Baby Top Blues Seller and the record continues to delight Blues Guitar fans everywhere as it receives positive critical feedback and enthusiastic international attention. The "ESB" has thrilled and amazed live audiences with their powerful brand of guitar oriented Blues as Eric's spirited and soulful guitar work is complimented by the solid backing of a professional and cohesive band. While remaining deeply rooted in the Blues, a live ESB set recalls the sound of the 60s and 70s Blues Rock era. In December 2005, the ESB made another exciting transition when Duane Trucks joined the band as their regular drummer. Duane is the brother of Derek Trucks and the nephew of the legendary Allman Brothers drummer Butch Trucks. At only 17 years old, Duane is already an extremely talented musician in his own right. With Duanes arrival, the ESB now regularly appears as a four-piece band with organ/keyboards. In addition to developing their own faithful following over the past four years through many regular club gigs and festival appearances, the ESB has enjoyed the opportunity to open for Marcia Ball, Tommy Castro, Shemekia Copeland and B.B. King. In

the Summer of 2004, Eric appeared in Sweden, Norway and Denmark as a special guest with John Mayall and The Bluesbreakers during their Scandinavian Tour. Mayall was so impressed with Erics performance during the tour that he asked Eric to join the Bluesbreakers in the studio as a special guest guitarist on the Road Dogs record where Eric's lead guitar work is featured on the track "Chaos in the Neighborhood". In follow-up to A Few Degrees, the ESB released a full-length studio release titled "High Action" in 2004. In support of the European release of "High Action" the ESB completed a 10 concert tour of Holland and Belgium during the Summer of 2005. Eric now resides in Jacksonville, Florida and the ESB continues to forge ahead by performing at selected venues and festivals in support of their third and most recently released record titled Havana.

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