Mp3 The Bastard Suns - Blood, Sweat & Beers

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Reggae infused Punk-Rock 10 MP3 Songs ROCK: Punk, WORLD: Reggae Details: BAND BIO - Clayton Jason were roommates in North Atlanta in late 2001, and Clayton was giving Jason free guitar lessons daily. Ultimately, they decided that Jason was meant to bang things instead, and he got a small set of bongos for his birthday. The two began playing together, and Clayton began writing songs for them to practice. With the encouragement from friends, and the excitement of being musicians, the two recruited two acoustic guitarists and began to practice. The band had its first gig under the name Sol in early 2002 at the now defunct International Artists Guild in downtown Atlanta. After a few personnel changes and a new name, The Bastard Suns began a rigorous local bar tour, and after a few months, they began to earn reputation for being an insane live show, complete with an overindulgence in alcohol and a great deal of profanity. (And who doesnt love that?) This hectic schedule resulted in the departure of two more musicians, but Jason and Clayton remained, joined by Claytons high school friend Kevin on guitar. At this point, the band still used the percussion instruments of Jason as their only drums. With the departure of the latest band members, the remaining three decided it was gut-check time. Either get a great guitarist and kit drummer and really get serious, or disband. Luckily, they recruited Wes and Zach almost immediately and later recruited Clayton and Kevins roommate, Chris, who had just left the band Drop Plan. The band finally had a stable lineup, and began recording their debut ep, Blood, Sweat Beers in late 2005. In preparation for its release in late May 2006, the band curbed its drinking and swearing, (only slightly) and began honing their already impressive live show. Currently the band is playing weekly shows all over Atlanta, and has amassed a very large and dedicated fan base by combining dancehall reggae with high speed punk rock. (Dubbed drunk rock by the fans.) Review of The Bastard Suns May 22nd, 2006 Anthony Plummer The Bastard Suns...what words can you use to describe this band? Dedicated, crazy and energetic spring to mind, just to name a few. When confronted with their brilliantly intoxicating mix of grassroots reggae chased with both old and new punk-rock movements, these guys most assuredly will not leave you disappointed. From Clay's brilliant vocals and get-down-and-dirty with the crowd attitude, to the punishing twin guitar assault of Kevin and Wes, to the uncompromising rhythm

section provided by Chris, Jason and Zack, the sound is tight and refined. Even with all their refined talent you can still feel raw emotion dripping out of their songs like the sweat off an ice cold beer, which the band is known to consume copious amounts of during any one of their mind-blowing sets. It's both refreshing and intoxicating at the same time. If you're in to the punk-reggae sound or you just wanna come out to chill and drink a good sarsaparilla or two or six, everyone will find something about The Bastard Suns' show they are sure to enjoy. And if not, then let 'em know and they will find a way to get you to enjoy it.

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