



IGGY AND THE STOOGES

Raw Power (Legacy Edition)

[Columbia/Legacy]

REISSUE

There's something unsettling about seeing one of the most chaotic and dangerous bands ever to destroy a stage institutionalized in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, but this year indeed marks Iggy Pop and his Stooges' induction. Likewise, it's a little odd to be confronted with a fancy expanded reissue of something as primal and fierce as 1973's *Raw Power*, an album that's the aural equivalent of a bloody gang fight. But while the presentation may give off the odor of respectability, *Raw Power* itself remains the seething beast it has always been in this new edition—and the bonus material is just as untamable as the main attraction. This reissue is available as a two-disc "Legacy Edition" including the original album, a 1973 Atlanta concert and a handful of unreleased tracks; or as a four-disc "Deluxe Edition" that also includes a CD of rarities, outtakes and alternate versions as well as a DVD documentary and other assorted goodies. If you can't afford to spring for the more comprehensive option, fear not: The concert included in both editions is easily the most satisfying extra on either set. It's a raging show that happens to have been beautifully recorded, making for a welcome change given that this band's live legacy is documented mostly on horrible-sounding bootlegs. With a reconstituted version of Iggy and the Stooges currently ravaging audiences around the world, there's never been a better time to revisit the raw power of *Raw Power*. – CN

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