

Deep Purple. Heavy Metal pioneers



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Deep Purple. **The noisiest band ever. Heavy metal pioneers.** But also progressive rock creators, music style that they mixed with funk and soul in a very far-sighted way. They had to escape in a helicopter during their first US tour. Lefts and new incorporations of band members have been a common and constant factor. They've had so many different line-ups that we've lost the counting.

They're Deep Purple, living legends of rock music. They'll be performing in **Madrid's Palacio de Vistalegre on September the 15th**. The long tour that the British band is currently doing will stop in our city to delight local rockers hearing. The show will bring to the audience their most successful songs, which will be played by the band founded in Hertfordshire, England, in 1968.

They set the trend with *Shades of Deep Purple*, their first album. Their first hit, called *Hush*, can be found on it. With *Hush*, **they conquered the audience with an unexpected mix of psychedelic rock and classical music.** That took them to be the gig openers for Cream.

On their third album, *Deep Purple*, the sound that will make them recognisable in the future, can be heard the very first time. They sound harder, and some **stronger compositions like April are included.** However, this album did not meant a public success and two members decided to quit the band.

In 1970 **a hard-rock masterpiece is created, *Deep Purple In Rock*.** Mostly, it is because guitar player and composer Ritchie Blackmore evolves to a rock much more progressive. This album includes some of their most famous songs, like *Black Night* or *Child in Time*.



Child in time, a ten minutes piece, became a song that was played in full in every concert they did. **It was the starting point of the golden era for the band.** The success of the album was absolute, and the singer, Ian Gillan, made it to the top becoming Jesus Christ in the well-known opera-rock *Jesus Christ Superstar*.

After touring with The Faces, they published *Firewall*, another great album that will proceed to **their greatest creation, the excellent *Machine Head*. It includes one of their eternal songs, *Smoke on the water*.** Although, the album version is not the most popular but the extended version played on the Made in Japan album. The concerts recorded during their tour in the far-east country were their major selling success.

Gigs, parties, fame, anger, another two members quit the band and two new guys join in.

The new album, *Stormbringer*, was mostly influenced by funk. Blackmore was disappointed with the new funky-soul wave of the band and with his loss of relevance. As a result, he decides to quit Deep Purple. **One of the heavy metal creators leaves the band. It was 1974.**

One of their best ballads can be found on *Come Taste the band*. This time around is surely **one of the most touching vocal duets of the band.** Despite of it, they are very far away from the sound that took them to the top.

The 80's. *Perfect Strangers, The House of Blue Light Slaves & Masters or The Battle Rages* are the albums to come. Good jobs though, but **Blackmore's left was an almost deadly wound for the band.**

Finally we get to the 90's, and with them joins the band the well-skilled **Steve Morse**. He represents the change that the band has been waiting for so long. Deep Purple's magic is born again from their ashes with a modern guitar sound. **Massive tours, success and non-stop lifestyle are back in business.**

Their last album was *Rapture of the Deep*, published in 2005. They did a two-year tour, and the band, once again, was massively acclaimed. **Some say that like good wine, Deep Purple get better with years.** Instead of guessing if they're right or not, best to do is to attend the concert next 15th of September and speak your mind out.

Additional info:

Deep Purple Concert

Venue: Palacio de Vistalegre

Time: 7.00pm

Price: 40€

Tickets: www.entradas.com and +34 902 488 488

How to get there: Metro: Vista Alegre (Line 5) and Oporto (Line 6)