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WOLF MAAHN – VEREINIGTE STAATEN

His first studio album in 6 years

“Fantastic” wrote the *Rolling Stone*. The Kieler Nachrichten reported a „Ma(ah)nic Hysteria” and the WAZ noted: „The quality of his numerous hits is incomparable to other German Artists.” The *Hamburger Morgenpost* ends their concert review exclaiming, “Wolf Maahn’s performance brought his audience into a state of radiant bliss.”

All has been going extremely well for Wolf Maahn, the German rock legend and wizard of his own style of R’nB influenced rock. He just completed his DIREKT INS BLUT II –(UN)PLUGGED tour, which was sold out in many places. *DIREKT INS BLUT II –(UN)PLUGGED*, which also was his 10th album to hit the German album charts. On top of that, he had the honor of an own primetime TV special on WDR. Another important success was his split from his last major label Universal, which created perfect conditions for the self-release of a brand new studio album.

VEREINIGTE STAATEN, his first full length studio album in 10 years is expected with bated breath. Since the release of the title, fans brood over the meaning of the title, the album’s musical direction, and the lyrical meaning coming from the song texts. There is also a certain sigh of relief that the left handed rock poet from Cologne is back into his core business – making rock. Autumn 2009 saw Wolf Maahn performing Friedrich Schiller in a theatrical piece called *The Song of Schiller’s Bell*. Although Wolf Maahn’s acting debut accrued great reviews nationwide, he and his fans are happy that Wolf Maahn is back in the saddle of the stallion of rock. **VEREINIGTE STAATEN** will be released on March 19th 2010.

VEREINIGTE STAATEN is his most rocking album to date sounding more electric than before and includes a fresh mix of roaring rock songs, Reggae grooves, Soul-, Country-& Blues Ballades. Expect catchy tunes and audio adventures. You will dig it.

Although the album is going to be released in March, the current tour started in February. That’s not a problem for Wolf Maahn who is no newcomer to the scene who needs to rely on the release of a new album in order to tour. By the album’s release date, the album will have 9 pre-premieres.

Maahn explains that he chose the title because it signifies „the principal of a free and independent creature, overcoming differences to get things moving together.” This challenge of unity is valid “for two people but also for a whole nation.” Wolf symbolizes this expression on the album’s front cover which shows two Huskies named „Chilli + Pepper.” Inspired by a trip he took to the Arctic on the 78th parallel to Spitzbergen/Norway, Maahn took this experience of wilderness, which included a Huskie Trip, and developed the idea for an album which could depict the very sensitive ecological balance of untouched nature. The essence of this subject not only sounds through the opener „Unter einem großen Himmel” („Underneath a big sky”), but also appears in other songs throughout the album. In the title song, he cherishes the love and differences that he shares with his wife Angelika, “Love / Amen / We live together / variety of species / in United States.” In unity there is also difference as exposed in such ironic songs as „Was dümmer macht” („What makes you dumber”) about breast implants or „NonStop Superflat PopUp Internet Show” (about Internet-Communities). All in all it becomes clear: These **VEREINIGTEN STAATEN (United States)** has an opinion that wills to be heard.

Many of Wolf Maahn’s songs have become „rock classics” (Rolling Stone). From hobby musicians to diverse cover bands to daring beach parties, Wolf Maahn’s songs not only become, but in many ways define the new German Style. Listen, learn, and love and you’ll be singing along in no time!

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WOLF MAAHN & BAND / VEREINIGTE STAATEN - TOUR 2010

12.02.2010 Worpswede, Music Hall
18.02.2010 Hannover, Musikzentrum
19.02.2010 Hamburg, Fabrik
20.02.2010 Gera, Comma
26.02.2010 Melle, Honerkamps Ballsaal
27.02.2010 Bad Arolsen (b Kassel), Outback
05.03.2010 Reutlingen, Franzk
11.03.2010 Nürnberg, Hirsch
12.03.2010 München, Backstage
13.03.2010 Aschaffenburg, Colo-saal
20.03.2010 Köln, Gloria
26.03.2010 Kiel, Räucherei
27.03.2010 Lübeck, Werkhof
23.04.2010 Unna, Kühlschiff
24.04.2010 Eppelborn, Big Eppel
01.05.2010 Düsseldorf, Savoy Theater
29.10.2010 Schwerin, Speicher
30.10.2010 Magdeburg, Festungmark
05.11.2010 Frankfurt, Batschkapp
06.11.2010 Syke, Syker Theater
12.11.2010 Bonn, Harmonie
13.11.2010 Stuttgart, Universum

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