



# Masquerade

IMPRESSION FROM A PLANET CALLED EARTH

#### 1 RIDING ON A BEAN

Let yourself be draged along with the stream of the happy ones Let your body be turned around and vomit on the ground Feeding cotton candy and black burned saussages

before you meet that little man overthere "Hey you!

How about a trip on the roundabout of dreams take a look at the world of the lilliputains don't be afraid of the other people's screams test it on, take a thrill, riding on a bean"

riding on a bean riding on a bean riding on a bean I'm the king of the lilliputains

The black tent swallows you, muggy air inside the little one in front of you is turning off the light He's giving you a kind of a paper to eat and asks you to sit down "Now start your trip on the roundabout See the colours changing frequently in the head you found snowballs, yellow trees, reality is out gravity-neutralized, you're riding on a bean Bor

cold air woke you up at morning you were lying near the tent with a bad taste in your mouth This must be the end The sun you need is covered by dark and sticky clouds The sandman is your lover Lilliput is away...
Lilliput is away.



#### 2 THE CENTURY OF MR.BEAN

Boring bullshit on every TV-station also my videocollection is a joke sex and crime causes endless desperation And I will go if they wouldn't show that man there they wouldn't let him joking if he wouldn't make my black days green

This is the century of Mr. Bean

A stupid game show now at friday afternoon I'm so sad because my friend had got to go invisible laws rule the things we've got to consume The last possibility my friend is switch it off now just throw it out now don't let you force to mental slavery.

# 3 BLACK SATURDAY

Oh I was really blinded by your beauty you were so innocent and kindly One day you said that you don't like me anymore, you said it friendly life is hard if you take something serious the way of behave in the age of aquarius? I wish I could wipe that fuckin' nightmare out of my head

I've got to go
I've got to loose
I've got to say goodbye
black saturday!

Frog bone!
Those days are over now and gone
the crush fogs room for the morning sun
A little fat or my belly again
and no one there who cares a damn
If I had killed you
there would have been flowing
strawberry icecream over my earring
Luckily I didn't lost my virginality
to you

There's a difference between woman and man like the difference between water and wine yesterday I wrote a lovesong unbelievable, it turned into a hatesong Something happened with my trust in trust embarressed silence on the bench at last It's music at black saturday's night It's music - the doctor of my soul!

#### 4 GREEN

The roaring see is calling again your hunger for freedom causes your pain a life for adventure a life under sails your satisfaction and cascetnail

leaving your land, your wife and your sheeps weathers are changing, memory keeps the harder the days, the stronger the yearning for the hills at home, for a fast return

green remember the green remember the endless green lands green remember the green green is our life

winter is coming - time to go home you've nearly forgotten where you come from the hard times are over, the harbour appears thank you for waiting my sheeps and my dear

### 5 MIRROR ON THE WALL

See all those stamps here - a wonderful collection except one little corner is feeding your obsession your head is working, you're tortoring your brain you've given all your money - left over is no coin

How can you get your will how can you reach your aims The face you see in the mirror bears your name

Mirror mirror mirror on the wall Tell him where the golden trees are growing Mirror mirror mirror on the wall Just show him the right way of life

A bad idea takes possession of your mind Why don't you sell your daughter avarice makes you blind Now you've got it, you're the richest man in town The face in the mirror's laughing - life has got you down

#### 6 WAR IN THE JUNGLE

This song is dedicated to the birmesian native people, especially to Mrs. Aung San Suu Kyi who was arrested from 1989 to 1995 because of her non violent fight against the military regime in Birma.

The lyrics of this song are based on original interviews of a television report 1992]

Do you see the little girl wiping tears and dust out of her eyes and asking daddy why she could not go away Do you see the old one holding tight her hand and shivering "Sorry my dear but I can't give you an answer"

There is war in the jungle and they keep fighting on and on

"Luckily the bullet hit the tree in front of me, one smothered shout, my whole life was passing by, a detonation, in the trench beside ... and there was blood on the trees."

"We were running down the hill to reach the guardian trees when my wife broke down - Oh my god, why did she leave me - here dead eyes asked me why, can't leave that picture out of my dreams at night."

"Standing on that place with banners in our hands, then they came around the corner and immediately used their guns , my leg was hidden soon, I lost my mind ... they thought that I was dead."
"Darkness surrounded myself all days, there was no one to talk to, but the daily examinations, I never saw the face behind the cruel light - they nearly drove me mad"

## 7 APPLEPIE FOR SALE

Equipment's ready - anything's working now A kind of stagefright makes me restless and delight We could tell nonsense, we could tell lies to you but we'll tell you now some stories of our life

Two little lovebirds on the stage tell you melodies two little bassbirds in the background make you groove Don't you believe in what you see? Now there is Applepie for sale

Forget your senses, forget the world around, forget all what you know and let the devil out. Better you'll fight now, better rage against the sound, than acting up in life and beat another one down

Two little...

We like to make you happy and sometimes we like to shock you too, we like to undress guitars piercing drumstick, tearing off the strings we like infinity, showing a state of misery And if you like us too, come again next time and have some fun

# 3 DRACULA

moonlight's discovered by some clouds listen to the old wolfs trembling shouts See the lonely castle wrapped in silence, in darkness, in mystery A gently scratch echoes through the gallery cascetlids removed immediately The undeads wakin' up at midnight makin' through their endless lifes

Hello I Here we are again have a party tonight, have an orgy in the cave The dark old knight hall changed into a heavy monster rave The toothless king slowly pierced his claws in the neck of a beautiful lady Fancy dress ball at the slaughterhouse

Having whiskey having H zombie striptease on the stage

Welcome to transsylvania on my blood sucker party here in transsylvania I'm Mr. Dracula

Look at those dirty floors and tables everyone is gone back in his cage white bleated bodies are still lying there one crushed guitar on the stage In a world where sunrise's makin' anxious musty cellars, dirty dreams Better go away, better don't return there Because tonight they come again Because tonight they dance again Suckers!



#### 9 THE FROG IN THE SUITCASE

I've ever known where the party's going on where the people live and die and where they're coming from I've got a big shiny pretty yellow cadillac and a long golden chain decorates my neck the world seems so happy, no problems only joy the long way of life, like a simply toy But sometimes it feels like fire in my eyes like a big rosty dagger in my bowls

The frog in the suitcase is running round and round it The frog in the suitcase is screaming The frog in the suitcase is running round and round it The frog in the suitcase is dreaming

The river's full of tears, the houses filled with hate don't worry about it, it's not your fate The light is very bright, the heat is very strong the shadows of the walls are cold and long The eyes are still closed but the arms are getting longer and nobody can stop us from getting stronger But sometimes it feels like fire in my eyes like a big rosty dagger in my bowls

where to go I don't know
The doors are open but your blind
so you can't look behind
The cloudy skys serious face
is leaving without an ace
The birds are still singing in the sky
you realy don't know why.

I don't know just where to go

# 10 WALK ON THE RAINBOW

weather's collapse comin' closer mother earth defends herself against our kiss we will finally be loosers we will finally know what we missed

every way we live is easy domes of glass protect us from the icy storms a bird on the window sill is amazing electric gloves keep our fingers warm

we lost our contact to nature to lazy to protect all those poor little creatures no reason to respect

I don't need no shoes to walk on the rainbow you don't need no clothes to swim in the sea

a little pill for every headache a little powder for the blisters on your lazy hands a damaged car causes heartbreak

a damaged tree does not matter in this land light - always

#### THE RAINSONG

There are black clouds on the sky and stormy breezes passing by we're on the long long way back home no sense of pride you feel alone and then the first drops splashing down on you there is a ghost in the sky that's laughing too you cannot see the road in front of you this is the price to be free

this is the rainsong

# 12 GORAZDE

Keine Spur von Mama. Papa und ich waren verzweifelt. War Mama noch am Leben? Um vier Uhr hat Papa beschlossen ins Krankenhaus zu fahren, um sie zu suchen. Er hat sich angezogen um loszugehen und ich wollte zu Nachbarn gehen, damit ich nicht alleine zu Häuse wäre. Ich habe ein letztes mal aus dem Fenster geguckt und dann... HABE ICH MAMA GESEHEN WIE SIE ÜBER DIE BRÜCKE RANNTE! Als sie in der Wohnung war, hat sie angefangen zu zittern und zu weinen. (Zlata Filipovic. Saraievo, 27. Mai 1992).

dreams - getting off their heads now dreams - could not be wrong tired and down in the basement dust better close your eyes and lay down fast dreams - have been erased

Shock to the system - stop talkin' now and listen Shock to the system - stop talkin' now and listen listen to the children listen to the dreams listen to the dead ones just listen to Gorazde

light - is wrapped in black now light - an innocent fool blow out the candle and shut up now it's a deadly sign - don't kill that craw light - always survives Shock ...

check your sense bloody evidence commercial truth cheats out of youth Christmas for one pray for the gone the trees are sad the trees are dead Don't talk to the walls Won't you stop that crawl Won't you realise defeat the war

#### 13 THE RIVER

Some say a new age is breaking on an age where love an peace will fraternize everyone Others say the end of mankind's close and nobody will survive but the paying members of cause instructions for a better life are available everywhere agony and suicide accumulate What is going on between us what took us into dark what's the solution for our world

Now I'm sitting beside the river to write a song about it all Now I'm sitting beside the river to listen what he says levely, is everyone who knows a little song from this world Now I'm sitting beside the river to write a song about it all Now I'm sitting beside the river to listen what he says He says music is the message bringing freedom and peace to this world

searching on the world wide web for a dream to interfere flickering screens spellbind your eyes reality disappears lack of choice is a nightmare for the mighty as lack of noise is a nightmare for the blind

truth is over! truth is over! truth is over! truth is over! After winter time always follows spring then you hear the birds, then you hear the meadows sing After rainy days always follows the sun then the flowers bloom then the bad depressions are gone Utopia is far away but you already see it come We'll wipe out our problems one by one You're right if you say that I'm an optimist You're right if you say that I'llie You must know, I had a Muste In kiss I was the size of the same of

I sat beside the river and wrote a song about it all. I sat beside the river and wrote down what he said. He said lucky is everyone who knows a little song from this world. I sat beside the river and wrote a song about it all. I sat beside the river and wrote a down what he said. He said music is the message bringing freedom and peace

You didn't see that river die

to this world to this world



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