

# Pick Your Poison

Sweden's In Flames represent a new and old age of metal.

In Flames has experienced the ups and downs of a band that constantly reinvents itself. Once pioneers of the Gothenburg, Sweden melodic death metal scene with At The Gates, the band has gone on an epic 13-year journey across the musical spectrum to become what they are today: an international sensation that crosses genre boundaries.

"We've matured so much since when we got started in the '90s," says drummer Daniel Svensson. "We've changed how we look at riffs, patterns, the structure of our songs, everything."

1994 and 1995 saw the releases of *Lunar Strain* and *The Jester Race*, two albums marking the start of a Swedish music revolution that exploded in the later '90s with bands such as Soilwork. With harsh, grating vocals and furious lead guitar work, In Flames could not be confined to just one country.

Fast-forward to the present. The band has long since abandoned their root sound in Gothenburg, but with their latest release, *Come Clarity*, they show they're still capable of creating thrashing melodies across the metal spectrum. Songs like "Take This Life" hearken back to the

## In Flames, Throwdown, Nevermore, Evergrey

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days of old with speedy drum beats and unrestrained growling vocals, but others, like "Crawl Through Knives," reflect a more modern sound, slicker and easier to swallow.

"With *Come Clarity*, we reinvented ourselves completely," says Svensson. "We wanted to do more songs that could be played much easier live. On this album we were able

to accomplish that far more than our previous ones."

The band recently completed a well-received tour with Trivium and ZAO and continue their non-stop assault all around the world all year. They are a true group of innovators, but they're also an excellent example of the modern metal sound. **EW**

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