

# AT VANCE

**"Ride The Sky" - Style: Melodic Power Metal - Release: September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

This band knows what their fans expect – and they deliver each and every time! German neo-classical inspired Power Metal force

**AT VANCE** is back with their 8<sup>th</sup> album, entitled **"Ride The Sky"**.

Mastermind and guitar player supreme Olaf Lenk navigated the ship on route as always. His style of playing combined with the ability to compose amazing songs made **AT VANCE** a strong force and one of the most respected bands of the European Metal scene. By the years it became obvious to everybody that – however – **AT VANCE** had created their own interpretation of neo-classical Power Metal that crosses elegantly with the true spirit of 80's Hard Rock.

**AT VANCE** are quality personified. At this stage of their career, with many thousands of fans hailing the band's qualities, every new

**AT VANCE** album is just a refinement of their style, so **"Ride The Sky"** became the next logical step in the band's history. It's all here: lightning-quick smashers ("End Of Days"), anthemic, riff-based tracks ("Burning Like Fire"), stomping hymns ("Ride The Sky"), powerful, dramatic tunes ("Salvation Day") and even a cover version of the FREE classic "Wishing Well". On "Farewell" the band adds a progressive touch to their sound Rick Altzi does a tremendous job on vocals while Lenk comes up with some of the best tracks he has ever written and brilliant guitar licks galore.

**AT VANCE** were founded by Lenk, the man already known through his solo albums, as guitarist in the legendary ZED YAGO and progressive project CENTERS. In 1998 the first album *"No Escape"* was a hint of things to come; but things really got interesting with 2000's *"Heart Of Steel"* where **AT VANCE** surprised the public with a truly stunning album that was then followed and built on by 2001's *"Dragonchaser"*.

After signing with AFM Records in 2002, the band then released *"Only Human"* and got stuck into touring the name around Europe with RHAPSODY and ANGEL DUST. Singer Oliver Hartmann then left the band because of lack of passion for roadwork. A worthy replacement was found in former YNGWIE MALMSTEEN singer Mats Leven. Lenk spent the next few months writing furiously and 2003's album *"The Evil In You"* was surprisingly deep, emotional and fresh. A tour with KAMELOT followed. After that *„Chained“*, saw the light of day in 2005 and secured chart entries in Scandinavia. The band then toured with BRAINSTORM and MERCENARY. Any doubts as to the success of **AT VANCE** had been dismissed! With the critically acclaimed *"VII"* album again changes came to the band: by the introduction of Rick Altzi (Treasure Land, now-Thunderstone) Olaf was able to find the perfect new singer for **AT VANCE**. The desire to play live gigs again and to have a solid line-up gain caused Olaf to search for new musicians to back himself and Altzi. He found the experienced drummer Alex Landenburg, who has played with ANNIHILATOR and AXXIS. The bass duties are now handled by Wolfman. Expect this new live line-up on tour soon.

**"Ride The Sky"** was recorded, produced and mixed by the master himself in Olaf Lenk's Guitarland. The mastering was done by Mika Jussila (Finnvox studios, Helsinki). **"Ride The Sky"** is another classic in the **AT VANCE** discography and hope for all fans that Olaf Lenk and his band can keep this high musical level for future releases. Be "at-vanced"!



## PROMOTION



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## TRACKLIST

01. Ride The Sky
02. Burning Like Fire
03. End Of Days
04. Wishing Well
05. Farewell
06. Last In Line
07. Fallin´
08. Glommy Monday
09. Power
10. Salvation Day
11. Vivaldi
12. You And I
13. Allemande

## LINE-UP

- \* Rick Altzi – vocals
- \* Olaf Lenk – guitars
- \* Wolfman – bass
- \* Alex Landenburg – drums

## HOMEPAGE

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