

## Pink Cream 69 - Ceremonial (2013)

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*01 – Land Of Confusion 02 – Wasted Years 03 – Special 04 – Find Your Soul 05 – The Tide 06 – Big Machine 07 – Let The Thunder Roll 08 – Right From Wrong 09 – Passage Of Time 10 – I Came To Rock 11 – King For One Day 12 – Superman* Musicians: David Readman – vocals Alfred Koffler – guitars Uwe Reitenauer – guitars Dennis Ward – bass Chris Schmidt – drums

One of the best European melodic hard rock bands returns: Germany's Pink Cream 69 releases their 11th studio album with *Ceremonial*, after a seven year absence.

Heavier and edgier may be one way to describe *Ceremonial*, especially listening to *I Came to Rock*, *Let the Thunder Roll*, and the blistering *Big Machine*. But the Pinkies can tone it down for *King for One Day* or *Superman*, both of which also have a curious experimental, possibly more modern, feel to them.

Alternatively, and true to form, Pink Cream 69 delivers accessible, extremely catchy, rock. At the start, *Land of Confusion*, *Wasted Years*, *The Tide*, and the single-ready *Special* are simply fundamental melodic hard rock. It's what you would expect from the 25 year veterans of the genre. Of course, David Readman soars on vocals, ranging from rocker to soulful crooner, guitar solos blister and thrill, and bassist/producer Dennis Ward's production is unmatched. Though I preferred some songs over others, and wished the heaviness would have ebbed a bit, it's all good. Easily recommended. --- Craig Hartranft, dangerdog.com

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