Baba Blues - Excavations: Blues Is A Rainbow (2000)

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Richard Danielson and Clas Gustavsson (then mainly a drummer) met in 1984 as members of a touring blues band called "Diving Duck". A little fed up with the cover-mentality of the ordinary blues band-concept they started to play acoustic on late hotel nights after the gigs to get the music out of their system. There they founded a form of blues rooted in the early pre-war blues, with no bas and drums, but with a modern rock attitude. In 1988 they started to play and make gigs under the name of Baba Blues duo and decided to make a tape to sell after the gigs.

They had both played in several band for many years being parts of the Swedish "progg-scene" going on in the seventies, with lyrics in Swedish and slightly psychedelic "make your own thing"-approach.

When they, in the early 90:s, started to write and record their own blues songs in Swedish and put them on the debut-album "Fishermen" the radio stations immediately started to played it. TV- shows invited them and they became favourites of the newspapers critics that put it on "the best of the year lists". They made two albums "Kompassernas man"(-93) and "Den rasande balansen" (-96) in Swedish with hits on the radios play-lists before they decided to try to communicate with the world outside of Sweden.

In 2000 their album "Excavations: Blues is a rainbow" knocked the critics who again put them on "the best of the year lists". This time the songs were in English, some of their own, some old blues stuff and unexpectedly a Motorhead song. All in very personal way with their very unique approach left. ---Alexandrr, hixboard.com

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