## **Mp3 Filtered - New Moon**



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Debut album from UK band with a sound somewhere between pop-punk and indie-rock, but also venturing into acoustic ballads, classic rock and - wait for it - rockabilly. Pop hooks and spiky riffs collide in nine varied, memorable songs. 9 MP3 Songs ROCK: Modern Rock, POP: Power Pop Details:

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clubs in England and Wales. Shortly after this, drummer Nick Gipson was recruited and the band quickly recorded a pop EP, "Nicotine and Tar". Of the "Nicotine and Tar" EP, reviewers said 'a big improvement. The band is clearly starting to develop an identity of their own. "On the Radio" is a cheerful powerpop tune, "Critic" a well-arranged song with a strong melody, nice guitar picking and a convincing vocal and "Hours Down" a somewhat demure, acoustic pop song that is vaguely reminiscent of Aztec Camera and Prefab Sprout. Yummy.' ("Inspecting the Troops") and 'uplifting pop-rock (with) some nice vocal interplay...it's nice to see a traditional line-up daring to be uplifting rather than mining melancholy. Certainly potential here for daytime radio play.' ("Drowned in Sound" - full review: drownedinsound.com/articles/6054.html) Filtered's next album is currently in pre-production (ie they're still learning the songs!) and they plan to record it at the end of the 2003. Guitarist magazine rated Kabir Sheikh's songwriting 4 stars out of a possible 5, describing the songs as 'a smart piece of pop... There's an impressive hook that runs throughout the whole thing and certainly proves the man's versatility.' (c) 1998 Guitarist Magazine. Check out their website (filteredonline/) to find out more!

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