

# Mp3 Loaded Dice - You Gotta Roll



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From sweet, soulful ballads to deep blues, blues rock and swinging Texas shuffles, Loaded Dice has all the blues bases covered. Superlative vocals blend with hot guitar and harp with a dose of boogie-woogie piano thrown in for good measure. 15 MP3 Songs

**BLUES: Electric Blues, BLUES: Blues Vocals Details:**

The aptly titled *You Gotta Roll*, is packed with a full 65 minutes of seasoned electric blues music, much of it written by the band. Of the disc's 15 cuts, 11 are originals and show Loaded Dice's versatility in handling everything from plaintive ballads to Texas shuffles to up-tempo blues rockers. Guitarist Mark Schwerin has a hand in all of the disc's 11 original tunes, with vocalist Marci Linn co-writing seven cuts. Harmonica ace and vocalist Joe Ferguson contributes to two of the songs. Here's what critics and blues enthusiasts are saying about *You Gotta Roll*: "You Gotta Roll offers quite a bit for blues fans to sink his or her teeth into. As the songs switch from an up-tempo number to something more classically bluesy and pure rock and roll, it is obvious why Loaded Dice has acquired the mighty following it has."--Stew Miller, the Kalamazoo Gazette. "You Gotta Roll is full of great blues from the originals to the covers."--Chad Houts, Music Revue. "What separates this from the run of the mill 'local release' is the strength of the original material - eleven of the disc's fifteen cuts - in which they have taken that major step into defining their own sound. "Pressure Cooker Of Love" and "Love Doesn't Seem to Want to Know My Name" are first rate by any standard, with the latter almost as a definition of the blues. Tight arrangements and killer vocal harmonies and most importantly knowing what notes not to play, make it a pleasure to listen to. The four "covers" are not the overplayed standards. Johnny Copeland's "Cut Off My Right Arm," is right on the money! The other three range from Earl King to the Rolling Stones to Lou Ann Barton. The blues adaptation of "Wild Horses" is a real gem as well. This band has arrived!--Michael E. Ireland, host of Bluespower, WIDR-FM, Kalamazoo. Loaded Dice formed in January 1993 and since then has played

regularly across southwest Michigan at numerous festivals, clubs and special events. Loaded Dice has opened shows for Smokey Wilson, Buddy Guy, Big Daddy Kinsey, Lonnie Brooks, Long John Hunter and Lil' Ed and the Blues Imperials. Known for superlative vocals and rock-solid musicianship, Loaded Dice's reputation has spread across Michigan and the Midwest. An "unplugged" version of the band released a self-titled CD in 1998, earning glowing reviews in several national publications including Blues Revue and Blues Access.

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