



John Lennon :: *Shaved Fish*

Besides the fact that the Beatles were one of the best bands to ever come to America, they also had one thing no other act could compare with - the walrus. The walrus, of course was John Lennon, and not long after the recording of their last album *Let It Be*, John started recording his own project with new lover and avant-garde composer Yoko Ono. Lennon's most influential and publicly praised tracks dot this record that most Beatles fans didn't even know were included in his debut - "Give Peace A Chance," "Instant Karma" and "Imagine." But with classics like "Mother" and "Cold Turkey," recorded as a humorous rendition of Lennon's own battle with heroin, the album sticks out as one of the most wonderful solo efforts by any of the Beatles to date. Ending off the album, the medley of "Happy Xmas/ the War is Over" euphorically depicts the happy-go-lucky/protest time that Lennon and Ono were living through. With *Shaved Fish*, Lennon gave the world an album to change the world with – a new view of peace, an innovative look at addiction, and a world where Imagination ruled and the possibilities were endless...*Dan Marek*