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"The Pink Floyd And Syd Barrett Story" 2xDVD - This splendid set reprises a seminal documentary on the development of Pink Floyd with their original vocalist and guiding light Syd Barrett, who was forced to leave the group in 1968 due to drug-related mental illness. Additionally, it adds on an extra DVD packed with 'full unedited' interviews with all members of Pink Floyd (regarding Syd and their relationships), as well as acoustic performances of Syd's songs by Robyn Hitchcock and Graham Coxon of Blur. The documentary itself is likely the definitive one regarding Barrett and his short-lived but invaluable contributions to rock, as Waters, Gilmour, Wright, and Mason are given time to reflect on their fallen comrade. As well, clips of Pink Floyd's early performances, home movies, and photos are revealed to illustrate these formative days of a world-class rock act that never quite got over its' loss. A superlative set and invaluable for anyone who wants to explore further into the genius of Barrett's work. Apparently, there's also a 'deluxe' edition which includes extra souvenir artifact/reproductions. Either way, it's a great set. (Zeit Media c/o MVD)

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