

**Snoop Dogg**  
*Drop It Like It's Hot*  
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Yo I can't believe my very first review for Metro ANE gets to be Snoop Dogg's live concert from February 23, 2005... howz come it's at Forest International in Belgium don't make no sense, though. I mean, why ain't in South Central L to the A or his home-ground Long Beach? Whatever, where ever-- Snoop is the schizznit, babies! I had Big Fill come over with some blunts and gin n juice to watch with me, and all the hits are on this thing: "Da Boss Would Like To See You," "Bump Bump," "Murder Was The Case," "Tha Shaznit," "Tha Bidness," "P.I.M.P.," "Deep Cover: 'G' Thang," and "What The Difference." One of Snoop's posse held up a big banner with 2Pac on it during "2 Of America's Most Wanted." "Snoop's Upside Ya Head," "Beautiful," "Lodi Dodi," "Next Episode," and "Pump, Pump/Chronic Break/Freestyle," where Snoop asks for a moment of silence for a chronic break and then waters his trees and lights up a blunt. By the time my two hand-in-hand favorites "Let's Get Blown" and "Gin And Juice" are playing, me n Big Fill was so high that we had to pause to order Pizza Patron. The Game steps up for "Lay Low / Freestyle," and then comes "Drop It Like It's Hot." "Na Na Na Na - Hey Hey Hey - Goodbye," a Sly & The Family Stone side, ends the concert, and the cameras follow Snoop backstage. There's before the show stuff showing a buncha white guys waiting for the show in the snow, shots from the stage, the old guy sound man in front of a board the size of a Caddy, sound check, bitches playing with their hair backstage... bor-

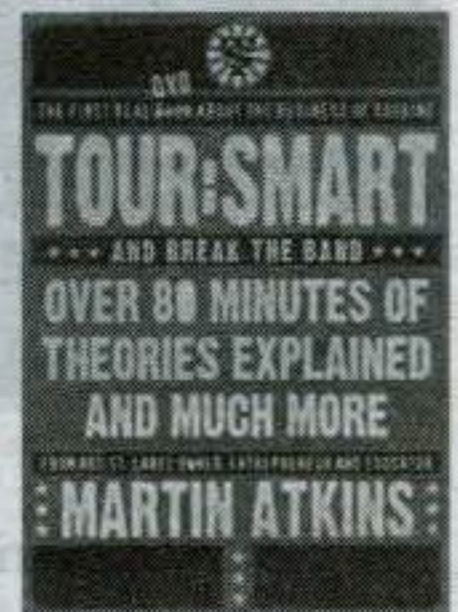
ing until you see Snoops and posse getting ready to hit the stage. But there is more! Two tracks of Snoop at Sunfest in Jamaica in 2001, "Wrong Idea" and "Deep Cover" show up.

The last thing is Snoop's Ten Commandments, and they were cool til the last one: "Marijuana is Overrated." Say what? He says he don't do drugs no more, making his friends, family and kids his priority.

There's a booklet in the set that has Snoop's history, discography, film and TV credits, a list of shit he produced, and his anthology (Big Fill didn't know that word, but it means his history with dates), plus the words to "Drop It Like It's Hot."

This is fo sho the straight-up dope. Ya oughta getcha one.- TRV

**Martin Atkins**  
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So, you're thinking of going on tour for the first time. Well you better get this

DVD and takes some notes, because it's not as easy as you think and it won't be fun if done wrong. Especially when you're broke, hungry and a few states away from home. With this DVD Martin Atkins will tell you everything an unsigned band needs to know. Some of the subjects covered are setting up shows, promoting, knowing your audience, how much merch should you bring, screen printing, driving tips and picking your openers.

I've only been on one tour as roadie and I sure learned a lot from it. I see way too many bands playing to empty bars. Get some advice before touring. I recommend this DVD to get you on the right track, but be sure to ask other bands for advice and try to learn from their mistakes. -GR