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Vincent Poag□

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I thought this kind of stuff when out with the 8 track-a singer songwriter! Vincent Poag has a voice that's sort of a mix between early Bob Dylan and Jim Croce; gravelly and smoky, but musical enough to keep your attention. He's also got a gift with the pen that mixes the sardonic humor of a Randy Newman with the vulnerability of a Cat Stevens. This 33 minute release is filled with clever lyrics and songs that range from a classic kiss-off ("Eat My Shorts") to calls for peace on earth ("This Christmas"). The music can get delta bluesy ("Confidence Thrill") or just reflective. Music this catchy and smart is a throwback that actually moves music forward. Fun times!