

## RELEASE SHEET



# PLACEBO “BATTLE FOR THE SUN”

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### INTRODUCTION TO THE ALBUM:

With a thirteen year history that takes in five studio albums, ten million album sales, breakdowns, clean ups and the dizzy swell of global success, Placebo are still brimming with new ideas. - Of the album, Brian says 'We've made a record about choosing life, about choosing to live, about stepping out of the darkness and into the light.'

- Recorded over three months by producer Dave Bottrill (chosen by the band largely because of his work with Tool) in his Toronto studio and mixed in London by My Bloody Valentine, Smashing Pumpkins and Nine Inch Nails supremo Alan Moulder, Placebo's

sixth album is a startling, alive, vital and boundary-vaulting record that marks a whole new era for a band that were in need of a change.

- A change has also been reflected in the lineup. An emotional split with Steve Hewitt, their drummer since 1996 saw him replaced by 22-year old Californian Steve Forrest, who the band first spotted playing with one of their US support bands Evaline, Brian says 'We were looking for somebody whose enthusiasm could rub off on us,' explains Brian. "Someone who would experience all of these things that we'd already experienced for the first time and for their excitement to raise us up out of our jadedness and make us into kids again."

- After the huge success of their free title track giveaway (over 100,000 downloads from [placeboworld.co.uk](http://placeboworld.co.uk)) and single 'For What It's Worth' receiving support from Zane Lowe, Jo Whiley, Colin Murray at Radio 1 and playlists on 6 Music, XFM and Absolute Xtreme, the band look set for a massive summer in the UK and Europe.

### **TRACKLISTING:**

CD LTD

1. Kitty Litter
2. Ashtray Heart
3. Battle For The Sun
4. For What It's Worth
5. Devil In The Details
6. Bright Lights
7. Speak In Tongues
8. The Never - Ending Why
9. Julien
10. Happy You're Gone
11. Breathe Underwater
12. Come Undone
13. Kings Of Medicine