

Today I'll be reviewing 'The Ultimate Ted Nugent', obviously by Ted Nugent. What IS the Ultimate Ted Nugent? (Or Ted 'Nugget' as my spellchecker suggests). I'm reminded of when Power Rangers morph into massive robot-looking things. As in 'watch out, Ted Nugent is becoming the ULTIMATE Ted Nugent!' Then the criminal gang flee in terror. Hypothetically speaking, what is Ted Nugget? I guess the chicken version of the guitarist, who also morphs but into a massive bird. Unfortunately on the album cover, you only see Mr. Nugent carrying his guitar, meaning you can't compare him and his instrument's size to anyone or anything else. Is the guy on the cover ten times bigger than everyone in the audience he's playing to? You can't say for sure. The expression on his face is rather enigmatic. Is he shouting because he's very happy with his sense of power and dominance, is he in pain because he's struggling to lift his massive instrument, is he trying to scare PR baddy Rita Repulsa away? Again, I can't say for sure.

One of the songs on the album goes 'stormtrooper's coming!' Is that what Ted calls himself when he morphs? If so, it's a better name than his nickname 'The Motor City Madman'. Even if he meant well when he morphed into a massive robot, would you trust anyone with that name? The thing with madman is they often don't know the difference between right and wrong. Would he fight the baddies, would he fight the goodies or would he fight both? He would make a good character in the Power Rangers franchise, but you wouldn't want him to be real. Another of his nicknames is 'The Nuge' which I guess sounds friendly. How about The Nugget? That's too friendly in my opinion. It doesn't strike fear into baddies like Batman, Spider Man and the Incredible Hulk does. Also, his fellow superheroes would have to be continuously walking on eggshells around him. You can buy nuggets in pizza places, burger places, fish and chip shops, you name it. What's the best place to celebrate after the defeat of a dangerous gang? A trip to a restaurant? Awwwkward...

Someone on Amazon is trying to sell the collectable version of the album for over £120... I mean... for that money you can buy all the CDs that make up the best of album and if you do that, you get dozens more extra tracks as well. Ok, ok, many of his albums are now rare and are consequently hard to get hold of. However, I'm sure the cheaper best of album that I own will end up being collectable as well. If both albums end up as collectible they will be the same, making them exactly the same price and making me REALLY dumb if I buy the album from the site. What are you suggesting, one collectable album is more collectable than the other? The whole point of music is it's supposed to be simple. You take the CD out of its case, you put it in the CD player and that's it. You shouldn't have to worry about deep concepts such as 'what's more expensive, a collectible album or a different collectible album that has THE EXACT SAME TRACKS ON IT?' It takes the fun away from the music!

Wikipedia says that Ted Nugent has been with his band right from the start, and that is backed up by a chart listing all the members of the group and the times they played with the act. Well, Ted would be in his own band from the start wouldn't he? If not, it wouldn't be his band. If Tom Jones or anyone else released an album where he didn't appear in it, the listener would feel cheated. Do I like the album? Yeah! It's a little bit depressing which many would perceive as bad, but Ted's music came way before grunge where the whole point was to intentionally make the listener depressed. In a way, his music was groundbreaking. Make the listener feel worse? It's so simple it's genius, you have to wonder why such an idea came around as late

as the early 90s or whatever. Ok you got me, doom metal came before grunge and that's even more miserable, BUT doom has never been truly mainstream and Ted's music has. Here's an idea: You may already have films that make you depressed, but how about foods?? The concept is a very attractive one to me, as the foods I make would indeed make you depressed. Both the taste of them and the (unintentional!) botulism. What can I say, I don't know how to cook. Anyway, 8.75/10, bye!