

# BLENDER

## The Guide **New Releases**



The Pierces:  
"Come on in, the  
water's fine—  
like us!"

### THE PIERCES

#### THIRTEEN TALES OF LOVE AND REVENGE ★★★

LIZARD KING

Sexy indie-pop sisters are so over girl-on-girl action

Forget Paris and Nicky. In a sane world, paparazzi would spend their nights stampeding after a different pair of sisters: Alabama-bred, New York-based Allison and Catherine Pierce. *Thirteen Tales* showcases the Pierces' genius for high harmonies, taut songcraft and noirish comedy, highlighted by "Boring," a hilariously deadpan send-up of jet-set ennui that might as well be about the Hilton sisters: "Galliano/Donatella/Dolce & Gabbana/Boring ... Sexy boy/Girl-on-girl/Ménage-à-trois/Boring." The music hops from '60s girl group to thumping lo-fi disco to Kurt Weill oompah, with virtuoso-layered vocals that reach eerie Yma Sumac heights. And even the quietest, prettiest songs carry morbid tidings: "Why, when we do our darkest deeds, do we tell?/They burn in our brains and become a living hell." Smoking-hot sisters singing pitch-black songs in tight black dresses? Not boring.

JODY ROSEN

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"Go to Heaven"