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- 01. Tropicália (Caetano Veloso) 3:37
- 02. Clarice (José Carlos Capinam/Caetano Veloso) 5:26
- 03. No Dia Em Que Eu Vim-Me Embora (Gilberto Gil/Caetano Veloso) 2:26
- 04. Alegria, Alegria (Caetano Veloso) 2:48 play
- 05. Onde Andarás (Ferreira Gullar/Caetano Veloso) 1:55
- 06. Anunciação (Rogério Duarte/Caetano Veloso) 2:19
- 07. Superbacana (Caetano Veloso) 1:25 play
- 08. Paisagem Útil (Caetano Veloso) 2:37
- 09. Clara (featuring Gal Costa) 1:43
- 10. Soy Loco Por Tí, América (Capinam/Gilberto Gil) 3:42
- 11. Ave Maria (Caetano Veloso) 1:58
- 12. Eles (Gilberto Gil/Caetano Veloso) 4:37

Personnel:

- Caetano Veloso - guitar, vocals

Caetano Veloso é o segundo álbum do cantor Caetano Veloso, sendo seu primeiro álbum solo, gravado em 1967 e lançado em 1968 pela gravadora Phillips. Teve arranjos de Júlio Medaglia, Damiano Cozzella e Sandino Hohagen. A música Tropicália, primeira faixa deste álbum, daria nome ao próximo álbum lançado por Caetano.

If I had to pick a "scene" in rock history that seems to transcend every pop staple, it would be

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those illuminary Brazillians from the late 60's. There are so many super-talented and visionary artists from that movement, I sometimes feel overwhelmed by the passion and exhuberance of these albums. Caetano Veloso is one of those artists. I sometimes feel like the romantic drama and devil-may-care virtuosity of this album could drive anyone to tears, or at least to youtube, trying to find any way to vicariously experience whatever socio-political hell was responsible for an artist like Veloso to grab everything meaningful in life, shoot it out of an existential cannon; watch it float through outerspace and land in the Amazon. It sounds so futuristic, so contemporary, so pre-historic. I still listen to this album, scratching my head, wondering: "How the hell did he do that? How can anyone evoke everything through sound with seeming effortlessness?" and then I realize it is the entire experience that he is channeling: the military overthrow, the intense repression of individualistic efforts, the racial conflict and an economic overhaul felt through the impoverished ranks of a sickeningly rapid transition to modernity. All of that and just drop you to your knees beautiful songs that the most hardened death-row inmate would fall in love to. Be careful who you are listening to this with; it's sensual allure is basically immutable. This album is absolutely fantastic, and there are several from this movement. Tracks 2 and 5 will absolutely break your heart, while track 12 will leave you sweating with abstract pop largesse. Keeping in mind, that this album starts off with a genre, and perhaps even nation-defining track: Tropicalia. Good God, just buy this album. I have never felt more comfortable recommending an album so unconditionally. --- Jules McCaffery

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