

Desert Undertones

Instrumental Desert Surf Rock — Tucson, AZ



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Biography:

Desert Undertones are an instrumental surf rock band based in Tucson, Arizona

They have garnered a following for their unique blend of classic 60's surf rock influences, reminiscent of Dick Dale and The Ventures, with elements of more modern groups such as Jon & the Nightriders, Insect Surfers, Slacktone and Los Straitjackets. Drawing additional inspiration from the iconic spaghetti western soundtracks of Ennio Morricone.

The band has played some notable shows including: Surfin' Sunday at Huntington Beach Pier, Surf-By-Surf-East in Austin, two Spaghetti Western Festivals in Los Angeles, and Surfapalooza in Tucson.

And they've been honored to share the stage with some high profile surf bands such as Insect Surfers, Surfer Joe, and The Tourmaliners.

Their debut EP, titled "Paniolo," was released in December 2023, followed by several singles throughout 2024.

In December 2024, they released their first full-length album, "The Sentinel."

The most recent album, "En Regalia," was released in November 2025.

Desert Undertones Are:

Dylan Oldham - Guitar
Gene Torres - Bass
Curt Pleiss - Drums

Our show contains a mix of original music and a few surf covers ranging from the early 60s classics through the 80s & 90s second and third wave of surf popularized with the movie Pulp Fiction, to current artists continuing the tradition and pushing the genre forward.





Latest Album Release “En Regalia”

The band’s second full length album.

Released on vinyl, CD, and all streaming platforms
Nov 13, 2025 and available for high resolution
download at:

[Desert Undertones Bandcamp](#)

Some Past Highlights:

Nov 2025 - Released second full length album
“En Regalia”

Nov 2025 — spaghetti western shows with
surf legends Insect Surfers in Los Angeles, CA

Sep 2025 — Surfin’ Sundays at the pier
Huntington Beach, CA

Jul 2025 - Show with San Diego surf band The
Tourmaliners in San Diego, CA

Jul 2025 — Surfapalooza surf music festival
Tucson, AZ

Mar 2025 — Surf By Surf East surf music
festival in Austin, TX

Feb 2025 — Valentine’s in Valentine music
festival in Valentine, TX

Feb 2025 — Show with international surf
legend Surfer Joe in Tucson, AZ

Dec 2024 — Full-length album “The Sentinel”

May 2024 — Released 2-sided single
“Massacre Canyon”

Dec 2023 — Released debut EP “Paniolo”

Upcoming Schedule Highlights

Mar 15, 2026 — Festival Of Books, University
of Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Mar 22, 2026 — 4th Ave Street Fair, Tucson,
AZ

Jul 25, 2026 — Surf by Surf West Festival,
Seattle, WA

Sep 13, 2026 — Surfin’ Sunday, Huntington
Beach, CA

Press Highlights:

The Continental Magazine (review of Massacre
Canyon 7”) — “these songs feature some great
performances, songwriting and production ... they
have an enticing sound that really delivers some vivid
imagery”

JFJ Conspiracy Podcast (review of Paniolo) — “Its
delicious, its twangy ... well engineered, well
produced and well written”

Pi Records (review of Massacre Canyon) — “Great
spaghetti western vibe ... very cinematic ... they really
delivered on this one”

Dave Arson of Insect Surfers (commenting on The
Sentinel & Paniolo) — “your stuff is really good and
well recorded ... I’ve had Paniolo and The Sentinel in
my CD player for many weeks now”

Colorado Instrumental Fanzine, Issue #3, Winter
2024 — Full 5-page band interview.

Pipeline Magazine UK Issue #130 Spring 2025 —
“The Sentinel” album selected #5 on editors top
playlist.

