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## From kill-switching dance bangers to triumphantly returning thrashers: here are this week's essential guitar tracks

The hottest new guitar music from Mr. Bungle, Ashba, Sad13, Songhoy Blues and many, many more

Songhoy Blues - Badala



Songhoy Blues produce some of the raunchiest, edgiest rock to come out of Africa, and with [Desert Sessions collaborator Matt Sweeney](#) behind the desk for new album *Optimisme* (due in October), their energetic live sound has finally been captured on tape.

*Badala* is the first track to surface from the record, and sees guitarist Garba Touré tear up a fuzzy riff reminiscent of the Black Keys at their fieriest, before he races through a demonic diminished breakdown line. On this evidence, *Optimisme* could well be Songhoy Blues' best album yet. (MAB)