

PEDRO THE LION

PROGRESS

Pedro the Lion's first full-length *It's Hard to Find a Friend* and subsequent EP *The Only Reason I Feel Secure* cultivated a dedicated fanbase for songwriter David Bazan's bittersweet melodies, somnambulist instrumentation, sparse arrangements, and introspective lyrics. When Pedro the Lion issued their second album *Winners Never Quit*, fans were challenged with a concept record with a heightened pulse, bolder guitars, and a long-form narrative that replaced Bazan's trademark truncated parables. Any concerns that Pedro the Lion were heading into more turbulent waters were quelled by the *Progress* EP released by Suicide Squeeze Records three months later. "June 18, 1976", a humble minor-key ballad that follows an unwed mother's postpartum tragedy, harkens back to somber simplicity of earlier tracks like "Secret of the Easy Yoke". Companion track "April 6, 2039" is a lush marriage of Pedro the Lion's singer-songwriter predilections with newfound electronic components. The song would later turn up as "Progress" on the *Control* album. The CD version of the EP contained acoustic renditions of classics "Of Up and Coming Monarchs" and "Letter From a Concerned Follower". As part of their 20th anniversary celebratory series, Suicide Squeeze is proud to offer a limited expanded vinyl repress of *Progress* containing all four songs from the CD version of the EP. The *Progress* 7" has also been given brand new gatefold packaging from esteemed designer Jesse LeDoux. The EP is limited to 1000 copies on pink-and-blue swirl vinyl and includes a download card.

- + HOMETOWN: SEATTLE, WA.
- + PART OF THE SUICIDE SQUEEZE 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SERIES
- + NEW ARTWORK BY GRAMMY NOMINATED DESIGNER JESSE LEDOUX
- + 2x7" LIMITED EDITION PRESSING OF 1000 ON PINK AND BLUE SWIRL VINYL
- + 2x7" COMES IN A GATEFOLD JACKET
- + 2x7" COMES W/ DL COUPON
- + PRESS CAMPAIGN THROUGH RIOT ACT MEDIA

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TRACKLISTING

1. June 18, 1976
2. April 6, 2039
3. Of Up And Coming Monarchs (Radio Session)
4. Letter From A Concerned Follower (Radio Session)

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