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DYING IN THE PUSSY b/w LIFE IS WHAT YOU MAKE IT

Hip-hop has always been a cultural mash-up. Starting with the mixed-genre sources of its turntable roots and evidenced in its appropriation into other music forms, hip-hop thrives under the absorption and re-contextualizing of the world around it. San Jose artist Antwon is a continuation of hip-hop's legacy of amalgams. Rather than building songs out of drumbreaks from old funk and disco records, Antwon is more likely to rap over shoegaze and post-rock samples. He commiserates and collaborates with black metal bands and chillwave pioneers. His performances garner crowds more akin to Gilman Street punk shows than rap concerts—an appropriate development considering his outspoken appreciation for Bay Area powerviolence bands. In keeping with his unlikely bedfellows, Antwon's latest EP comes courtesy of indie stalwart Suicide Squeeze. Mixed by Lars Stalfors, producer and engineer behind multiple Mars Volta, Cold War Kids and Matt & Kim albums, "Dying In The Pussy" marries an MC's traditional sexual bravado with a signature style of smoked-out fatalism over ominous interweaving synth lines. In contrast to the A-side's sinister swagger, "Life Is What You Make It" is Antwon's summer jam. A stylistic continuation of last year's collaboration with Pictureplane, this b-side gem is a perfect blend of chilled-out West Coast hip-hop set against the backdrop of glitchy, warbling electropop.

The two-song EP is available worldwide both digitally and as a limited edition 7" (250 copies on white w/ black marble, 500 on black) with a download coupon.



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2. Life Is What You Make It

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