

Klaus Johann Grobe

Spagat der Liebe

TRACKLIST

- 1. Ein Guter Tag
- 2. Wo Sind
- 3. Rosen des Abschieds
- 4. Pure Fantasie
- 5. Heut Abend nur

- 6. Geschichten aus erster Hand
- 7. Ohne Mich
- 8. Liebe am Strand
- 9. Sprigen wie damals
- Gedicht

RELEASE BIO

Klaus Johann Grobe continue to avoid easy classification with "Spagat der Liebe", the follow-up to their mind-scrambling 2013 debut album "Im Sinne der Zeit". Said debut was an easy to love, but hard to pin down fusion of krautrock, disco, Tropicalia, post-punk and experimental music that garnered rave reviews both in the USA & abroad.

In between numerous European festival tours & opening slots for Temples, Moon Duo & the Growlers, the band holed up in their Swiss studio compound to record "Spagat der Liebe" in the autumn of 2015.

The sinister, late-night grooves present of their debut have been tempered a bit, in favor of somewhat sunnier dispositions, calling to mind an ecstatic party somewhere in sunny Ibiza. The albums title translates to "balancing act of love" & many of the tunes on "Spagat der Liebe" feel like love songs, either to a significant other, a mood, a feeling, or the dance floor - whichever you choose. The overall vibe of the album acknowledges the tenuous push & pull love can have on a person, not unlike the way a great DJ can make you feel ecstasy & romance all under an umbrella of glittering lights.

Tunes like album opener "Ein Guter Tag" & first single "Wo Sind" feel like a warm up, preparing the listener for the four-on-the-floor propulsion of "Rosen des Abschieds" - a song tailor-made to sweat to. Elsewhere the fragile "Heut Abend nur" ("Tonight Only") & the synth-tickled "Ohne Mich" - which is closest the band has come to an honest to goodness pop tune - guides the listener by the hand towards floor fillers like "Geschichten aus erster Hand" and the absolutely DEVASTATING groove of "Liebe am Strand", which is anchored by a rubbery bass groove & a killer flute solo that takes it over the event horizon.

"Spagat der Liebe" finds the band continuing to challenge listener's expectations, eschewing overt stylistic tropes in favor of a feeling; keeping love, passion, ecstacy, melancholy, desire & affection in a nimble balance.

"Spagat der Liebe" is issued on compact disc & vinyl, with full-color inner sleeve (with lyrics) & artwork co-designed by band member Sevi Landolt.



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POINTS OF INTEREST

- Second album from this German-speaking, Swiss band "The duo sing exclusively in German, but despite the language barrier, their grooves are infectious and universal." Pitchfork
- US Tour to follow in April/May, including a slot at Levitation Austin "What really gets you first is the rhythm section, sometimes laying down a heavy motorik groove, sometimes funky, like if Can had jammed with Os Mutantes... and Stereolab owned the only bootleg." Brooklyn Vegan

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