

DIVES

Teenage Years Are Over

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Tracklist

Chico
Waiting
Heads
Stay Right Here
Tomorrow

Dear Lavender
Pumpkin
Looking for a Fight
Nightdrive
Drinking Paradise

Recorded and mixed by Wolfgang Möstl
Mastered by Martin Scheer

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Vienna's Indie-Surf group DIVES present their magnificent debut album "Teenage Years Are Over"!

Teenage Angst has paid off well, DIVES are now ready to have it all. DIVES know their capabilities, their strengths and the songs they want to write. On their first album, titled Teenage Years Are Over, they now become an essential integrant within Europe's big indie-bands.

With their first EP, DIVES got off to a dream start: In Dresden they played in front of 12.000 people, headlined the Viennese Popfest, toured with Courtney Barnett, accompanied the Vengaboys at the Viennese Ballhausplatz and played various shows as support of established artists (Franz Ferdinand, Bilderbuch). Three years have passed since their formation at pink noise Girls Rock Camp and ever since, they not only toured Central and Eastern Europe, crashed big stages and important industry festivals (Reeperbahn festival, c/o pop), but also did not back away from well-known underground venues (8mm Bar, Ostpol Dresden).

On their debut *Teenage Years Are Over*, DIVES channeled their energies together with producer and label-mate Wolfgang Möstl (Voodoo Jürgens, Clara Luzia, Nino aus Wien). Their album is going to be released on the Viennese label Siluh Records. DIVES earned their spurs on tour and now they only comply with their own rules. For doing so, they do not need permission or well-intentioned advice.

"Appreciate your concern, you're gonna stink and burn."

Attitude meets a musical sense for melodies and song dynamics. Their sound draws a line starting with the Slits, comprised in the guitar riffs in the song *Pumpkin*, to reminiscing arena rock-ish ballads in the song *Stay Right Here*. On *Teenage Years Are Over*, there's no space for in-dm-sliders, mansplainers and sexism in general, which DIVES make clear in the song *Chico*. With *Tomorrow* and *Waiting* the trio delivers melodies to be stuck in your head all day and *Nightdrive* could be the soundtrack for late night trips. With their cover-version of *Looking for a Fight*, originally by Bleached, they compliment one of their biggest influences.

DIVES accompany surf-garage-pop with emancipated lyrics. They don't shy away from speaking their mind. There's no crying over missed chances, no pointless vanity and no fake pretending for the sake of being part of something. This mindset also shows in their thoroughly produced music videos, most recently for the song *Chico* for which they teamed up with director Kevin Pham. It accentuates the trio's refined aesthetics while they are riding a speedboat over the Vienna's Danube river.

On their first, full-length record, DIVES wave good-bye to the initial doubts - „Are we good enough? Where do we want to see ourselves? What will happen if our youthful easiness is gone?“. They found their answers: On the stage, in their songs and finally in themselves as friends and companions.



DIVES are **Dora de Goederen, Tamara Leichtfried & Viktoria Kirner**