The Unkindness of Ravens: Virus

Artist: The Unkindness of Ravens

Title: Virus Tracks: 1. Viper

2. Virus

3. Last Call For The River

4. Prototype

5. You Should Know By Now

6. Das Gift

7. The Spaces In Between

8. White Road

9. Yours Forever But Not To Hold

Released: 7th May 2012 Label: Sonic Fire Records Format: Download

For fans of: The Kills, Yeah Yeah Yeahs, Sonic Youth



"Genuine contenders for being one of the best underground electro bands out there..." - Artrocker Magazine

London / Berlin based duo, **The Unkindness of Ravens**, are certainly the hardest working underground electro-rockers on the scene. After two years of prolific releases, they're ready to release their debut album *Virus* on **7th May 2012**. The album is a culmination of their hard work, creativity and passion.

Nina Wagner (vox) and Ben Raine (vox / bass) have often been compared to The Kills but they've taken this sound and stretched it further, transcending all genres - electro, rock and indie - creating something that's unique to them.

The album begins with "Viper" and "Virus" - previously released as a double a-side single. "Viper" is hard hitting, with those familiar driving beats pounding through your chest. "Virus" is almost tribal, yet this feels like the sound of the future. The second, most recent, single taken from the album, "Last Call For The River", features Ravens signature sound of hypnotic, pumping beats supported by Ben's cacophonous bass lines and Nina's sexy, sultry vocals.

By the time you reach the last half of the album, the music changes pace showing a more intimate side to their songwriting. "Das Gift" is a gorgeous display of Nina's seductive vocals. "White Road" and "Yours Forever But Not To Hold" is another glimpse into the real heart of the band. These songs are full of melody and add a touch of intimacy to their usually beat vs bass heavy sound. Their songs are about love, longing and self-discovery and by the time the album concludes you'll feel you've taken this intimate journey with them.

These last few years have seen Nina and Ben release a slew of singles - *Dead Air* and *White Road* culminated with the band's first EP relase in 2010, *I Used To Be So Pretty*. Excellent reviews and coverage followed from magazines like **Rock Sound** to **Artrocker** and an array of features online on **Clash**, **NYLON** and **The 405**. Following on from this success, the band wrote and recorded most of the album whilst living and gigging in Berlin, DJ-ing and playing shows for **Berlin Fashion Week**. The double a-side single *Viper I Virus* followed, the videos for which appeared on **NME** and **Artrocker**.

The **Unkindness of Ravens** are one of the UK's most exciting prospects, blending genres and styles and forever trying to push their own boundaries, which every creative band should. **Virus** will be released on 7th May 2012 on **Sonic Fire Records**.

- The Unkindness of Ravens are available for interviews
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