

THE KILL DEVIL HILLS Matango!

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DESCRIPTION

The sixth studio album, Matango!, by Western Australian band The Kill Devil Hills is out on Bang! Records. The new album has ten songs, that - according to the band's own words - reference "global unrest and displacement, near future scenarios, climate catastrophe, pandemic vortices, the Simpsons, the grace of women, refugees and boat people, Cold War paranoia, the creative process itself, and of course Australia and its peculiar place in things." Matango! had a few different birthplaces over the 2018-19 period: an old house in the hills of Perth. back porches in Fremantle, a Prague apartment, a French country villa in the swelter of summer, and a lonely pandemic piano. A strange and sinewy beast of an album, it's something of a departure from earlier KDH work: minimal, leering with glitching drums samples, synth swells, empty spaces, and a soup of fat bass tones to float it all in. Recording started about two weeks before lockdowns did in Australia, and so everything went into that unique mode of hibernation for a while, but the album beds were largely done, and work eventually recommenced, discovering what was there, reshaping and re-recording some tracks, and throwing in an experimental opening salvo which is largely free of regular instruments, more a montage of samples and textures, written on a piano and then deconstructed into a spectral hiss and wail. The album title obliquely refers to the 1963 Japanese psychological horror film of the same name (directed by Godzilla/kaiju maestro Ishiro Honda).

TRACKLISTING

- A1. Survivor Guilt
- A2. This is Karrakatta
- A3. The Day the Dinosaurs Died
- A4. Prescribed Burns
- A5. Atomic Kitty
- B1. Patrician Facade
- B2. Unlike Hemingway Said
- B3. Thirteenth Sunday
- **B4.** New Ordos
- B5. Weight of a Woman

HIGHLIGHTS

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