



CRANES Fuse

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DESCRIPTION

Re-issue of **Cranes** über rare debut album *Fuse* on Dadaphonic, for the first time on vinyl and CD. The *Fuse* album was remastered at Abbey Road in 2023. The album includes an extra unheard track from the period called "New Liberty." Artwork is by **Chris Bigg** of **V23**. The second in a series of archive releases by Cranes, *Fuse* was recorded in Portsmouth, their home town by siblings **Alison** and **Jim Shaw**. It originally appeared as a cassette album in 1986 on the Bite Back! label. With an initial run of only 200 copies, over the years this album, with its distinctive purple cover has been highly sought after amongst fans, often exchanging hands for more than £100. *Fuse* showcases a sparser, darker and more industrial, post punk sound. From the hypnotic allure and rhythmic intensity of the title track to the ferocious and challenging beats of "Wrench," the songs are just as mesmerizing as Cranes' later, critically acclaimed releases. Recorded in a garage on a four-track porta-studio, the band spent many months experimenting and became obsessed with the recording process. Jim Shaw used a very early sampling pedal to create the drum sounds, which were all individually triggered. The only and first "industry" person to hear anything by Cranes at this time was **Martin Hannett** (legendary producer of **Joy Division** and **New Order**). He was looking for unsigned bands to appear on a new music TV show in Manchester and so **Ian Binnington** from Biteback! sent him a compilation tape of many Portsmouth bands. Hannett picked out "Fuse - Original Version" by Cranes and told Ian that the track was "fucking great."

TRACKLISTING

01. Pillow Panther
02. Fuse (Original Version)
03. Valentine
04. Gas-Ring
05. Things That I Like
06. Wrench
07. Fracture
08. New Liberty

HIGHLIGHTS

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