



V/A Sky Girl

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DESCRIPTION

Sky Girl is a mysteriously unshakeable companion, a deeply melancholic and sentimental journey through folk-pop, new wave and art music micro presses that span 1961-1991. It's a DIY collection of different genres, from different countries across different decades, that are all bound by the same longing sentiment. A concept compilation! A seemingly disparate suite of selections of forgotten fables by more or less never-knowns, *Sky Girl* forms a beautifully coherent and utterly sublime whole deftly compiled by French collectors **DJ Sundae** and **Julien Dechery**. From **Scott Seskind**'s adolescent musical road movie to **Karen Marks**' icy Oz-wave, the charming DIY storytelling of Italian-American go-getter **Joe Tossini** and the ethereal slow dance themes of Parisian artists **Nini Raviolette** and **Hugo Weris**, *Sky Girl* resonates on a wide spectrum historically, geographically and stylistically. It unites in a singular, longing, almost intangible ambience. If the names sound wholly unfamiliar that doesn't matter, the nature of the compositions swiftly nurtures an intimacy with these lonely, poignant, openhearted wanderers. Most were available in a very limited capacity at the time of their release, some were never really released at all - **Gary Davenport** declined to release "Sarrah" after he split with the girl for whom the track is named - years later a friend convinced Davenport to allow him to put 100 copies online to sell and DJ Sundae was quick enough to snare one. Beyond their scarcity, these tracks are bound together by a certain raw beauty that's achievable when music is made and no one is listening. *Sky Girl* comprises of fifteen officially licensed songs, a two year international scavenger hunt through long-folded home label operations, the depths of internet forums and traceless acetates. Both compilers are well trained record sleuths - DJ Sundae's labels Hollie and Idle Press have reissued **Arthur Russell** affiliate **Nirosta Steel** and DIY relic **Pitch**, while Julien Dechery previously compiled *Fire Star*, a retrospective on Tamil film composer **Ilaiyaraaja**, for Bombay Connection. Released by popular NTS show "Noise In My Head" offshoot Efficient Space, *Sky Girl* is enriched with artwork from Perks and Mini mutant **Misha Hollenbach** and appropriately elegant sleeve notes courtesy of **Ivan Smagghe**. Includes digital download. Also features: **Linda Smith**, **Bruce Langhorne**, **The Seraphims**, **Some of My Best Friends Are Canadians**, **The Rising Storm**, **Warfield Spillers**, **Joyce Heath**, **Angel**, **Nora Guthrie** and **Once**.

TRACKLISTING

- A1. **Linda Smith** - I So Liked Spring
- A2. **Karen Marks** - Cold Café
- A3. **Bruce Langhorne** - Leaving Del Norte
- A4. **The Seraphims** - Consciousness of Happening
- B1. **Gary Davenport** - Sarrah
- B2. **Some of My Best Friends Are Canadians** - Feeling Sheepish
- B3. **The Rising Storm** - Frozen Laughter
- C1. **Warfield Spillers** - Daddy's Little Girl
- C2. **Joyce Heath** - I Wouldn't Dream Of It
- C3. **Joe Tossini and Friends** - Wild Dream
- C4. **Scott Seskind** - I Remember
- D1. **Angel** - Driving (Down)
- D2. **Nini Raviolette and Hugo Weris** - Slow
- D3. **Nora Guthrie** - Home Before Dark
- D4. **Once** - Joanna

HIGHLIGHTS

- *Sky Girl* is a mysteriously unshakeable companion, a deeply melancholic and sentimental journey through folk-pop, new wave and art music micro presses that span 1961-1991.
- Released by popular NTS show "Noise In My Head" offshoot Efficient Space.
- Compiled by French collectors **DJ Sundae** and **Julien Dechery**.
- *Sky Girl* comprises of fifteen officially licensed songs, a two year international scavenger hunt through long-folded home label operations, the depths of internet forums and traceless acetates.
- The compositions demonstrate an intimacy with the artists as lonely, poignant, openhearted wanderers. Most were available in a very limited capacity at the time of their release, some were never released at all.
- Features artwork from Perks and Mini mutant **Misha Hollenbach**.
- Sleeve notes courtesy of **Ivan Smagghe**.
- Features: **Scott Seskind**, **Karen Marks**, **Joe Tossini**, **Gary Davenport**, **Nini Raviolette** and **Hugo Weris** and more.

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