

ASH RA TEMPEL Schwingungen

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DESCRIPTION

2024 re-release. CD edition of the 1972 original release, one of the most important German Krautrock albums - remastered by Manuel Göttsching himself. Julian Cope's review in his Krautrocksampler book states: "Beware of Schwingungen!" That should be the large sticker on the front of all copies of this record. For it is dangerous to be casually introduced to something that is lifechanging. It all starts fairly simply and without any cause for alarm? "Look at Your Sun" begins with a Doorsy lone groover guitar begins a pedestrian blues, beautiful. Then the most crushed voice, a cross between Johnny Rotten and **Tiny Tim**, preaches its way into the proceeds. And then the most far out track of all begins. This is called "Flower Must Die" and it is a free-rock giant that transcends everything else in its field (there are no contenders.) After a slow weird build, a frantic streamlined one-chord mantra kicks in and it's like the **Stooges**' Funhouse period. The title-track begins poetically enough with Wolfgang Muller's epic and hugely reverbed vibraphone. Organ fades in and FX guitars, and time passes by. Finally, tom-toms roll and the developing pace is built upon until that great eternal chord sequence finally materializes - this is the one that Göttsching and Enke believed was the sound of heaven. They may have been right. And Schwingungen was a gift from the Gods.

TRACKLISTING

01. Light: Look At Your Sun02. Darkness: Flowers Must Die

03. Schwingungen

HIGHLIGHTS

- 2024 re-release CD edition Ash Ra Tempel's Schwingungen, one of the most important German Krautrock albums – remastered by Manuel Göttsching himself.
- RIYL: Johnny Rotten, The Stooges.

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