



TESS PARKS Blood Hot (Gold Vinyl)

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DESCRIPTION

10th-anniversary edition of **Tess Parks'** debut album. A native of Toronto, Tess Parks moved to London, England at the age of seventeen where she briefly studied photography before deciding to focus on music. Tess made an impression on industry legend **Alan McGee**, founder of Creation Records, albeit the timing of their meeting could hardly have been less ideal; McGee was no longer involved in music and Tess was due to move back to Toronto. After moving back to her hometown in 2012, Tess formed a band on the advice of McGee and less than a year after their meeting, he returned to music with his new label, 359 Music. Tess became one of his first signings and released her debut record *Blood Hot* in November 2013 to excellent reviews. One reviewer described her as "**Patti Smith** on Quaaludes." Others have mentioned her "gauzy psychedelic sound" and "smouldering voice." *Blood Hot* is inimitably confident. It's slow and psychedelic at times, while being loud and ready to fill a stadium at others. There isn't a moment on the album that isn't relatable or that doesn't ring to the tune of a timeless classic to be talked about for years to come (the same way people discuss **The Velvet Underground** or **My Bloody Valentine** records today). Her cult-like following has turned into a movement. Incredibly relevant yet timeless. Cool and anti-cool. An enigma that doesn't need solving. Tess Parks is as she's always been. Her best work is already out there. And her best yet is still to come. Printed on gold vinyl with gatefold sleeve and including a handwritten lyric booklet.

TRACKLISTING

- A1. Somedays
- A2. Gates Of Broadway
- A3. When I Am Young
- A4. Refugee Camp
- A5. Stick Around
- A6. Open Your Mind
- B1. Walk Behind Your House
- B2. Goodnight Love
- B3. This Time Next Year
- B4. Life Is But A Dream
- B5. Love Around

HIGHLIGHTS

- 10th-anniversary edition of **Tess Parks'** debut album *Blood Hot*.
- Printed on gold vinyl with gatefold sleeve and including a handwritten lyric booklet.
- RIYL: **Patti Smith, The Velvet Underground, My Bloody Valentine.**

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