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# **GRAUZONE Grauzone (40 Years Anniversary Edition)**

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#### DESCRIPTION

WRWTFWW Records reissue Swiss cult band Grauzone's self-titled album in an expanded "40 Years Anniversary Edition" packed with the original 1981 album plus nine extra songs, as well as extensive liner notes by Swiss music historian Lurker Grand. The pioneering band from Bern (Switzerland) had a short-lived but highly-regarded career which birthed a cult discography that still fascinates and resonates today. Consisting of core members Martin Eicher, Stephan Eicher, and Marco Repetto, and on-and-off participants Christian GT Trüssel, Claudine Chirac, and Ingrid Berney, the elusive group broke new grounds in the early '80s, experimenting with punk and industrial music, early techno sounds, minimalism, new wave, pop, and various electronics. With an innovative and polished approach to design, visuals, performance, and all-around style and philosophy on top of their superb music, the constantly transforming unit developed a whole experience - the Grauzone experience: wild and unpredictable, yet sophisticated and cohesive, or as Swiss music historian Lurker Grand would call it, "an Art band with a Punk attitude." Completely rejecting the music industry rules and refusing to play the game of promotion, touring, release schedules, and TV appearances even though they had a multi-platinum international hit with the song "Eisbär", the band quickly disintegrated in full convention-defying glory, leaving behind an inspiring music legacy for the world to discover and discover again, one generation after the other. This extended version of their debut (and only) album beautifully crystallizes the Grauzone miracle/accident - where pop and youthful experimentation meet at (new/cold/ no) wave and industrial crossroads, and where classic hits ("Eisbär", "FILM 2", "Raum", "Träume Mit Mir", "Der Weg Zu Zweit") flawlessly mesh with unconventional deep cuts ("In Der Nacht", "Film 1", "Maikäfer Flieg"). Very simply put: good timeless music with an edge. Stephan Eicher went on to be, arguably, the most successful Swiss musician ever, with an international career extending from pop chanson to experimental escapades and collaborations with **Moondog**, artists Sophie Calle and Sylvie Fleury, and author Martin Suter among many other luminaries. Marco Repetto flourished as a techno and ambient producer, releasing multiple projects including releases on Aphex Twin's Rephlex label. Sourced from the original reels and put together under the supervision of band member Stephan Eicher. CD version comes in a digipack.

### **TRACKLISTING**

- 01. Film 2
- 02. Schlachtet!
- 03. Hinter Den Bergen04. Maikäfer Flieg
- 05. Marmelade Und Himbeereis
- 06. Wütendes Glas
- 07. Kälte Kriecht
- 08. Kunstgewerbe
- 09. Der Weg Zu Zweit
- 10. In Der Nacht

- 11. Eisbär
- 12. Ich Lieb Sie
- 13. Moskau
- 14. Ein Tanz Mit Dem Tod
- 15. Traüme Mit Mir
- 16. Ich Und Du
- 17. Wütendes Glas (Maxi Version)
- 18. Raum
- 19. Film 1

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- WRWTFWW Records reissue Swiss cult band **Grauzone**'s self-titled album in an expanded "40 Years Anniversary Edition" packed with the original 1981 album plus nine extra songs.
- The pioneering band from Bern (Switzerland), consisting of core members
  Martin Eicher, Stephan Eicher, and Marco Repetto, broke new grounds
  experimenting with punk and industrial music, early techno sounds, minimalism,
  new wave, pop, and various electronics.
- Includes extensive liner notes by Swiss music historian Lurker Grand.
- Sourced from the original reels and put together under the supervision of band member Stephan Eicher.

Also available:

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