

Close Lobsters

Desire & Signs EP

It's been nearly two years since Shelflife has had the pleasure of putting out new music from the eternal Close Lobsters, and we're proud to say that this will be changing shortly. On July 29, we are extremely excited to be releasing the Scottish band's new EP featuring "Under London Skies" b/w "Wander Epic Part II" on limited gold 7" vinyl with download and digital formats.

These self-proclaimed "Post-Neo-Anti-Close Lobsters" are back in a big way, and with these two tracks you'll be quickly convinced of that. The A-side, "Under London Skies," serves as both a lament and ode for London- the radical London of The Clash, the Rock London of The Only Ones and Flesh for Lulu, and the Libertarian London of The Mob and the June Brides. There's a lot of history (both musical and otherwise) tied closely with London, and if any band is gonna do justice to that fact it's undoubtedly our trusted Close Lobsters. If that sounds like a big subject to tackle, the single's B-side "Wander Epic Part II" will make you think again. Calling the song an epic is no exaggeration; the band has described it as a yearning for the vast and endless sea. The song is both a wanderlust and a pilgrimage, designed to take the listener on a journey as huge as the subject matter they're tackling.

The release will be available on 70 gram limited edition 7" vinyl with download coupon that includes bonus tracks "Wander Epic Parts I & II" and "Wander Epic Part III". Early presale copies will be available on gold colored vinyl. There will also be a digital-only version that includes an exclusive bonus mix of "Under London Skies."

Praise for Close Lobsters:

"there's a purity in every note that rings true in your soul. The subject matter even seems to tackle the importance of musical evolution in London, at least in more modern times...both the changes and the message left behind."
- *Austin Town Hall*

"What is there to smile about? asked the Close Lobsters in 1988; in 2014, the answer is: the return of the Close Lobsters."
- *Sounds XP*

"the pure intuit that made the Tom Verlaine and Richard Lloyd interplay so alchemical. "
- *Wondering Sound*

"Amazingly, Close Lobsters have returned from dormancy unscathed, batteries fully recharged and poised with a successful release of excellent songs. Welcome back, friends."
- *The Big Takeover*

"Time has not altered the sound of their bittersweet wall of jangle an iota, nor has it diminished their knack for writing adroit pop songs."
- *Finest Kiss*



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7" + Digital

1. Under London Skies
2. Wander Epic Part II

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