"A melodic, harmony-driven slice of laid back, surfer indie-guitar."

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"Teenage angst has paid off well, DIVES are now ready to have it all."

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DIVES are Dora de Goederen (drums), Viktoria Kirner (vocals, bass) & Tamara Leichtfried (vocals, guitar).

Vienna 3-piece **DIVES** are shaping up to be mainline Europe's biggest export. Since forming at pink noise Girls Rock Club in 2016, they have played over 150 gigs in over ten countries, toured with **LA Witch** and **Courtney Barnett**, headlined **Viennese Popfest**, played big name industry festivals such as **Eurosonic**, **Reeperbahn Festival** and **c/o pop**, accompanied the **Vengaboys** at the **Viennese Ballhausplatz** party (celebrating the resignation of Austria's corrupt right-wing Vice Chancellor Heinz-Christian Starche in 2019), and supported various established international artists including **Franz Ferdinand**, **AnnenMayKantereit** and **Bilderbuch** - whilst also building a huge grassroot fanbase playing beloved underground venues (8mm Bar, Ostpol Dresden).

DIVES forthcoming second album *Wanna Take You There* is the first to be released in the U.K. and follows their debut self-titled EP (2016) and debut album *Teenage Years Are Over* (2019). Whilst the debut album was characterised by unpolished garage-guitar sounds, new album *Wanna Take You There* is a collection of smoother, more compact pop moments. Garage-rock, surf-pop, 90s-flavoured indie, and harmonies à la The Breeders blend with a touch of Riot Grrrl attitude, present in the lyrical presentation of DIVES' manifesto: Anti-discrimination and proequality and humanity.

DIVES's sound is fun in a big way, but also clever and versatile, veering from upbeat power pop on 'Walking The Dog', big anthems on '100 Times', or dream pop on 'Only Lies.' Album opener and title track 'Wanna Take You There' adds to the renaissance of playfully clever guitar songs to dance to as trailblazed by Wet Legs. **DIVES** know how to party with their sound evoking images of road trips with friends and long days on the beach, "Oh let's head out, to a place that's pretty", sing **DIVES** on 'Streets', "Where the lights, they never go out".

Simultaneously **DIVES** Riot Grrrl energy sees them sharing important messages and personal experiences within their danceable indie-pop tunes. The trio's first UK single 'Ego' is about one-way conversations with narcissists "This conversation is too odd; you got to listen and stop". Or on the song 'Burger,' they lay bare every woman's experience of patriarchal society's enabling in the purposely antagonising line "You cannot blame him anyway, 'cause honey you know, he doesn't mean it that way."

Wanna Take You There is a vibrant, fun, danceable and socially conscious ride. On it **DIVES** rally against the wrongs in the world whilst reminding us to live life to the full, and simultaneously offering us the perfect soundtrack to do just that.

TRACKLIST: Wanna Take You There Ego I Feel Better Now Streets Only Lies 100 Times Walking The Dog Burger

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Wanna Take You There was written & performed by Tamara Leichtfried, Viktoria Kirner & Dora de Goederen of DIVES, recorded by Wolfgang Lehmann, mixed by Sam Irl, and mastered by Patrick Pulsinger.

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