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home

is it day?
or is it night?
i can't tell
cos i've only seen the darkness
i've been locked up in a cave / they told me
it's the only pretty place to be
i wanted to give to you / for real
wanted to show you how i feel

my babe / i'm coming home

i dreamt of you / last night
i've never been so happy
i was a flower / you were a bumblebee
looking for me / looking for me
it's true / i'd go anywhere for you
i wonder if you do too

my babe / i'm coming home

if life is like a line
and we are points
on a circular canvas
can you paint your life like that
it looks confusing
can you move without moving
got love to give
to you
i wonder if you do too

my babe
i'm coming home

binoculars

everyday digging a hole / until water would show
establish castles of sand / with jellyfish in my hand
slowly slowly slowly slow / until water would show
slowly slowly slowly slow / waves coming up from below

lets move on to pastures new
all the things we're about to do
for i'm just a child / i want to grow wild
we only live twice
i see the want in your eyes

sounds of water contrast / to rounded pieces of glass
salt in the air sand on the ground / seagulls gliding around
the amber with entrapped mosquito / hidden treasures of the lido
slowly slowly slowly slow / border patrol marching to and fro

lets move on to pastures new
all the things we're about to do
for i'm just a child / i want to grow wild
we only live twice
i see the want in your eyes

yeah i can look far
with my binoculars
want to break through the wall
wreck borders once and for all
nobody's free
my body's not free
can't think my way out.
can't conquer the sea.
nobody's free



blood

i am the teardrop
i am the river
i am the cloud the floats the sky
i am the life inside of you
i am the morning leaf dew
i am the moment that you keep

i am the blood inside of you
i lift up to blue sky
and no one ever questioned
no one ever wondered why

i am the iceberg
i gift you cold
i am the one
who never disagrees
here i wash
your face
here i break
the rock
here i rain
into the sea

i am the blood inside of you
i lift up to blue sky
and no one ever questioned
no one ever wondered why

human

save me from the fear that will last
wake me up when all this is past
don't stop dreamin the future's alive
i'm just a human imprisoned at home
i'll be going nowhere / nowhere to go
this is the place to be
save me from this deadly disease
give me love and put me to ease
so hard dreaming i don't wanna die
i'm just a human carving his tombstone
i'll be going nowhere / nowhere to go
this is the place to be
save me from the end of your end
stay alive my dearest sweet friend
don't stop breathing you'll be ok
don't give up there's one thing you should know
you'll be going nowhere / nowhere to go
this is the place to be
you'll be going nowhere
i'll never forget the precious time we had
leave me to the wind and the rain
just leave me to the wind and the rain
i'm just a human and so are you
lets help each other
there's one thing we should know
we'll be going nowhere
nowhere to go.
this is the place to be
we'll be going nowhere
no heaven no hell
this is the place to be!



silence

draw a line
make a mark
maybe make a mark by erasure

all around everywhere
i'm awakening on the big blue

this is life
death it means

inside my head
be the one
save me

the orange blue
the yellow

hit a drum drum a hit
i can say what i want
but no one listens

white the stars
black the sea
blue the lips
be the one
save me

and if you enjoy the silence
life is a leaf fallin' from a tree
and if you enjoy to see
i'll be you and you'll be me

let love begin

i'm feeling so free i could cry
there's nothing to lose but the sky
my bike and me are ready to fly
we're riding into the darkest night
no monsters and culprits in sight
even the wind is on our side

and if the rain pours down like waterfalls
open your mouth put your head back
and if you're not here soon i'll just stay here
open my mouth put my head back
let the rain in / let love begin

life is a missouri sometimes
but today i leave it behind
we're out on the street
my bike and me we're feeling the speed
we're rolling faster than the sun
oh yeah / we're having fun
the chill night air is running through my hair

and if the rain pours down like waterfalls
open your mouth put your head back
and if you're not here soon i'll just stay here
open my mouth put my head back
let the rain in / let love begin
oh yeah the summer in your hair
the wind in the clouds where
i feel so alive the sky is true
blue i'm trying to reach you
i'm trying to wing you
i'm only alive because of you



i want you

i was lying awake / thinking a night a day and a night
i was waiting for you / to call my name
there must be many here among us / who can't sleep at night
being trapped in their problems

but this place is lost anyway / life is fading away
why does it feel like there is no we

i want you

i was facing the sky
watching a night a day and a night
wishing stars were passing by / heavy clouds to come
i was wondering why / we only feed what we want to eat

but this place is lost anyway / life is fading away
this place is lost anyway / don't move further away
if this is now then its forever

i want you

let me tell you the truth / a night is a day is a night is a day
i was waiting for you / to be with me
these houses so old and grey
they're falling apart so beautifully
filled with silence and rain

but this place is lost anyway / life is fading away
this place is lost anyway / don't move further away
and it's you / and it's me / and it's now

1st song

no other place to be
come and change with me
this whole world
we'll change our days and nights
know you don't have to fight against me
see how the river flows
being at all times new
yet the same stream
as sunlight hits the ground
darkness comes around for someone

like a rising sun
you are the one
you're the first song i've sung
everyday could be the last
time is running too fast

see how the sky would change
waiting for each one
to come
well nothing lasts for long
but i know we'll be strong together

like a rising sun
you are the one
you're the first song i've sung
everyday could be the last
time is running too fast



blue

everybody feels the rain
let it wash away the pain
everybody feels the rain

slowly down the drain / my love i can't explain
you do it again and again / everybody feels the rain

tomorrow i'll lose my mind
the sadness i can't leave behind
sometimes love is so hard to find
so blue in this need for you

i drive my car to spain / i'm so sick of the rain
you do it again and again / everybody feels the rain

everybody feels the rain
let it wash away the pain
everybody feels the rain

a rain to drown all rains
a hard a long rain it's like living underwater
i'd give everything for hat
how many years since the rain stopped raining
one more day and i'll go mad
rain drops heavy like sunsets

tomorrow i'll lose my mind
the sadness i can't leave behind
sometimes love is so hard to find
so blue in this need for you

blue flamingo

when i think of you my love
a blue flamingo flies for me
and i'm overcome
with longing, with longing

carry me far
my train never left
and i'm stil here
saying hello
i want the whole world
to travel with me
across the sea
endlessly

i've looked death straight in the eye
it is no one's friend
drugged in the river of love
deeper then an ocean

did i come here
to forget
everything
my train never left
and i'm stil here
saying hello
travel with me
across the sea
endlessly

i wanna love you
how much i love you
oh you will never know



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WALKING ZSCHOPAU

This album is dedicated to my friend Melissa May, who I met in Rochester NY during my first US tour in 2008. I played a concert in a music bar and Melissa was the only guest attending the concert. She was sitting in the back, drinking coffee and working on some papers. It was a lousy situation. I played a long set just for Melissa who seemed to connect with the songs. We became friends and I sent her all the records I made between then and now. She liked them, I think, but kept asking me about a live album. She said that I would sound better live and different and just special and more like myself. I tried to record a live album many times but failed and then failed again. It took me twelve years to finally keep my promise!

Melissa, I hope you will like the album!

If you are an artist and just have one fan, one true fan, one true friend, then you will be fine. One true fan is all you really need to carry on.

Zschopau is a river in the German state of Saxony. I used to wander to one particular spot, nearby a castle, a rock and a fairytale. It was quite a walk. I only managed to go to that one spot closest to my parents apartment. Often it left me wondering about the source and the river as a whole. Recording this album felt like walking the river from source to mouth. I walked, recording ten songs live in my atelier in between paintings. No audience. Just a room full of paintings to resonate with. 5 new and 5 previously released songs. The new songs form the first half of the album. Home is a song written from the perspective of a flower. Binoculars is a song about borders, freedom and beaches. Blood is a song written from the perspective of water. Human is a song I wrote in the first half of 2020. The melody really helped me to deal with the pandemic. Silence is a song about a leaf falling from a tree. I hope you enjoy this album! I want to thank my friend Michael Goller, whose knowledge about the river Zschopau helped me putting it all together.

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