



## MOZES AND THE FIRSTBORN (NL)

## Great Pale Of Nothing

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The Dutch four-piece came out with their debut album on Burger Records two years ago. After that they toured extensively through Europe and the United States. Since its foundation in 2010 Mozes and the Firstborn has played almost 500 shows. The past two years the band have been busy crafting new songs. A fresh musical direction was initiated earlier this year with the «Power Ranger EP» and a European tour alongside long-time Burger buddies together PANGEA. The new material is less garage rock oriented and has a more 90's alternative high school rock vibe to it. The band recorded the album over a three-month period in the winter of 2015/2016 with drummer Raven Aartsen as producer. «It's a pretty contemplative album», says singer Melle Dielesen.

On first listen the title track «Great Pile of Nothing» is a happy-go-lucky, Beatlesque song, but if one listens closely it's the bleak summary of an album that deals with depression and how to live with or through it: «See no need to fight / 'cause deep inside / I will always be / less than no one to me.»

Both musically and lyrically the record explores a wide variety of emotions and atmospheres. The spaced-out «All Will Fall to Waste» comforts the listener by saying that «this is just a phase», even though «all will fall to waste». Slacker banger 'OC/DC' is a tongue-in-cheek track about a rockstar afraid to leave the house because of his obsessive-compulsive behaviour. «Crawl» is a hypnotic grunge jam that delves deep into the dark heart of sexuality. And Guided by Voices shouldn't be ashamed to cover «Crybaby», a powerpop gem about the little whining child that's deep inside all of us