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## black midi Present New Single [“Talking Heads”](#)

Double A-side “Talking Heads” b/w “Crow’s Perch” 12” Out In May On Rough Trade



(photo by Anthrox Studio)

"['Crows Perch' is] math-rock confronting a world of chaos." — *The New York Times*

"[black midi is] a group of four prodigiously talented musicians, applying their anarchic internet-age sensibility to their country's long and proud tradition of intellectual noise-splattered punk." — *SPIN*

"There's a reason people might breathlessly ask if you've seen black midi yet... It's because it's something that demands to be talked over once you've taken it in. It's because each black midi show feels, in its way, evolutionary."  
— *Stereogum*, "Band To Watch"

**black midi**, the enigmatic London-based four-piece that "are less interested in proving themselves the future of indie rock than in imagining indie rock from the future" (*Pitchfork*), today present new single, **"Talking Heads"**. Alongside the band's recently shared single, **"Crow's Perch,"** "Talking Heads" will be released as a **double A-side 12"** next month via **Rough Trade**.

"Talking Heads" is a calculated intensity, driven by frenzied percussion, bright, vivacious guitar, and fitful vocals. "We've always tried to make it heavy but danceable, melodic but good rhythms," says vocalist and guitarist, **Geordie Greep**. "It is accessible music, there are experimental aspects that we've taken from when we went crazy at the beginning, we've just reigned it in to make something that is pop music."

Listen to "Talking Heads" -  
<https://bm.ffm.to/talkingheads>

black midi is comprised of Geordie Greep (vocals/guitar), **Cameron Picton** (bass/vocals), **Matt Kwasniewski-Kelvin** (guitar/vocals) and **Morgan Simpson** (drums). The repartee between the quartet is quiet but quick and laconic. It's a connection reflected in the intensely focused and driven live shows with which black midi have made their name, drawing comparisons to American groups like Shellac, but that's only half the story to this deeply uncategorizable music. They bonded over shared musical enthusiasms, or "liking messed up things" as Kwasniewski-Kelvin puts it, including an appreciation for rapper Danny Brown, Death Grips, Deerhoof, Miles Davis and Talking Heads.

After playing their first North American live shows, being **named a standout act at SXSW** and **selling out their first two shows ever in New York City**, black midi will return to New York this July to play **Bowery Ballroom**. Additionally, they will appear at **Pitchfork Music Festival** in Chicago, and will play shows in **Minneapolis** and **Madison**. A full list of upcoming tour dates is below.

Watch black midi's "Crow's Perch" Video --  
<https://youtu.be/A-6hl2Mnb3s>

**black midi Tour Dates (new dates in bold):**

Sun. May 5 - Manchester, UK @ Sounds From The Other City  
Sat. May 11 - Brighton, UK @ The Great Escape Festival  
Sat. May 25 - Totnes, UK @ Sea Change  
Thu. May 30 - Nimes, FR @ This Is Not A Love Song Festival  
Fri. May 31 - Düringen, CH @ Bad Bonn Kilbi  
Sat. June 1 - Neustrelitz, DE @ Immergut Festival  
Thu. June 6 - Gothenberg, SE @ Garden Festival  
Fri. June 7 - Helsinki, FI @ Sideways Festival  
Sat. June 8 - Sun. June 9 - Paris, FR @ Villettes Sonique  
Mon. June 10 - Moers, DE @ Moers Festival  
Sat. June 15 - Bergen, NO @ Bergfest  
Tue. June 18 - London, UK @ Earth (Concert Hall)  
Thu. June 20 - Bristol, UK @ Fiddlers  
Fri. June 21 - Liverpool, UK @ Phase One  
Sat. June 22 - Glasgow, UK @ Mono  
Sun. June 23 - Nottingham, UK @ Contemporary Space  
Fri. July 5 - Roskilde, DK @ Roskilde Festival  
Fri. July 5 - Sun. July 7 - Moscow, RU @ Bol'sh Festival  
Fri. July 12 - Madrid, ES @ Mad Cool Festival  
Sun. July 14 - Nijmegen, NL @ Valkhof Festival  
Thu. July 18 - New York, NY @ Bowery Ballroom  
Sun. July 21 - Chicago, IL @ Pitchfork Music Festival  
Mon. July 22 - Minneapolis, MN @ 7th Street Entry  
Tue. July 23 - Madison, WI @ The Terrace at University of Wisconsin  
Fri. July 26 - Hyères, FR @ Midi Festival  
Fri. Aug. 2 - Sun. Aug. 4 - Katowice, PL @ Off Festival  
Sun. Aug. 4 - Waterford, IE @ All Together Now  
Thu. Aug. 8 - Sat. Aug. 10 - Rees Haldern, DE @ Haldern Pop  
Sat. Aug. 10 - Oslo, NO @ Øya Festival  
Fri. Aug. 16 - Viana do Castelo, PT @ Paredes de Coura

Fri. Aug. 16 - Sun. Aug. 18 - Biddinghuizen, NL @ Lowlands Festival  
Sat. Aug. 24 - Gueret, DR @ Check In Festival  
Fri. Aug. 29 - Sun. Sept. 1 - Dorset, UK @ End of the Road Festival  
**Wed. Sept. 18 - Amsterdam, NL @ Melkweg**  
Thu. Sept. 19 - Paris, FR @ La Boule Noire  
**Sat. Sept. 21 - Bordeaux, FR @ Barbey Indie Club**  
**Wed. Sept. 25 - Lisbon, PT @ ZDB**  
**Wed. Oct. 2 - Zagreb, HR @ Mocvara**  
**Thu. Oct. 3 - Bratislava, SK @ Fuga**  
**Fri. Oct. 4 - Budapest, HU @ Durer's (small room)**  
**Sat. Oct. 5 - Prague, CZ @ Underdogs'**  
Mon. Oct. 7 - Berlin, DE @ Lido  
Tue. Oct. 8 - Hamburg, DE @ Kampnagel  
Wed. Oct. 9 - Cologne, DE @ Bumann & Sohn  
**Thu. Oct. 10 - Brussels, BE @ Beursschouwburg**

Download hi-res images and jpegs of black midi -  
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("Crow's Perch" b/w "Talking Heads" 12" art)

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