

June 20, 2019
For Immediate Release

**black midi, “The Most Exciting Band of 2019” (*The Times* UK),
Present New Song/Video [“Ducter”](#)**

Debut Album, *Schlagenheim*, Out Tomorrow On Rough Trade



(photo credit: Anthrox Studios)

"It's math-rock confronting a world of chaos." - *The New York Times*

“black midi have gone from pub-circuit eccentrics to figureheads of a reputed British rock vanguard...” - *Pitchfork*, “Rising”

“Boasting a litany of musical influences that span decades and genres, [black midi] is challenging musical conventions as only a group of young idealists can.” - *MTV News*

[black midi’s] music feels equally impossible in its excess, a swirling hyperactive complexity that defies expectations at every turn.” - *Stereogum*, “The Best Albums of 2019 So Far”

“One of the most complex, confounding and unusual bands to have come out of Britain in years” - *MOJO*

Tomorrow sees the release of London-based **black midi**’s debut album, ***Schlagenheim*** via **Rough Trade**. Today, the band presents the video for new single, “**Ducter**,” following previously released songs “**Talking Heads**” and “**Crow’s Perch**.” “Ducter” is a blistering force, beginning with tempered percussion before bursting with noisy guitar and **Geordie Greep**’s strangulated vocals. Directed by **Anthrox Studio**, ex-**Rockstar Games** visual artists primarily responsible for developing the iconic illustrations associated with world-class game titles such as ***Red Dead Redemption 2*** and ***Grand Theft Auto V***, the video evokes a strong sense of surrealism, using dreamlike imagery via 3D landscapes to conjure an uncanny feeling of a world that exists only for its own sake, all brought to life by Emmy Award winning animator **Isam Prado**.

“After meeting with the band and discussing some broad concepts they had in mind, we could immediately tell this would be a dream project,” said **Anthony Macbain** and **Roxie Vizcarra** of Anthrox Studio. “Using a few of the bands’ influences as a springboard, we were given total creative freedom with which to make something we believed both complemented the band’s aesthetic and told the story we wanted to tell. From the very beginning, everything seemed to come together organically, and the result is something we feel is enigmatic and unique.”

Over the past many months, black midi - **Geordie Greep** (vocals/guitar), **Matt Kwasniewski-Kelvin** (vocals/guitar), **Cameron Picton** (vocals/bass), and **Morgan Simpson** (drums) - have built a reputation for their dynamic, collaborative energy and uncompromising live shows. Their songs are slippery creatures and they play them as a musical unit that’s constantly in a state of flux and development. *Schlagenheim*, “A rousing debut that constantly eschews genre conventions” (*Uncut*), was recorded with **Speedy Wunderground** producer **Dan Carey**. Guided by Carey’s no-nonsense approach, the band hunkered down at Mr. Dan’s studio in London, tracking the bulk of the album in just five days.

black midi return to the US next month for select shows, including a performance at the **Pitchfork Music Festival** in Chicago. In November, the band will perform all over the country, playing many North American cities for the first time.

Watch Video For “Ducter” video -

<https://bm ffm.to/schlagenheim>

Order *Schlagenheim* -

bm ffm.to/schlagenheim

Listen/Watch:

Album teaser - <https://youtu.be/50wvZqbE5Uk>

“Talking Heads” stream - <https://bm ffm.to/talkingheads>

“Crow’s Perch” video - <https://youtu.be/A-6hI2Mnb3s>

black midi Tour Dates:

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. June. 28 - Pilton, UK @ Glastonbury Festival

Fri. July 5 - Roskilde, DK @ Roskilde Festival

Sun. July 7 - Moscow, RU @ Bolʼ Festival

Fri. July 12 - Madrid, ES @ Mad Cool Festival

Sun. July 14 - Nijmegen, NL @ Valkhof Festival

Thu. July 18 - New York, NY @ Bowery Ballroom

Sat. July 20 - Chicago, IL @ The Hideout

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

Thu. Aug. 15 - Saint-Malo, FR @ La Route Du Rock

Fri. Aug. 16 - Viana do Castelo, PT @ Paredes de Coura

Fri. Aug. 16 - Sun. Aug. 18 - Biddinghuizen, NL @ Lowlands Festival

Sat. Aug. 24 - Gueret, FR @ Check In Festival

Sat. Aug. 31 - Dorset, UK @ End of the Road Festival

Thu. Sept. 5 - Tokyo, JP @ Unit

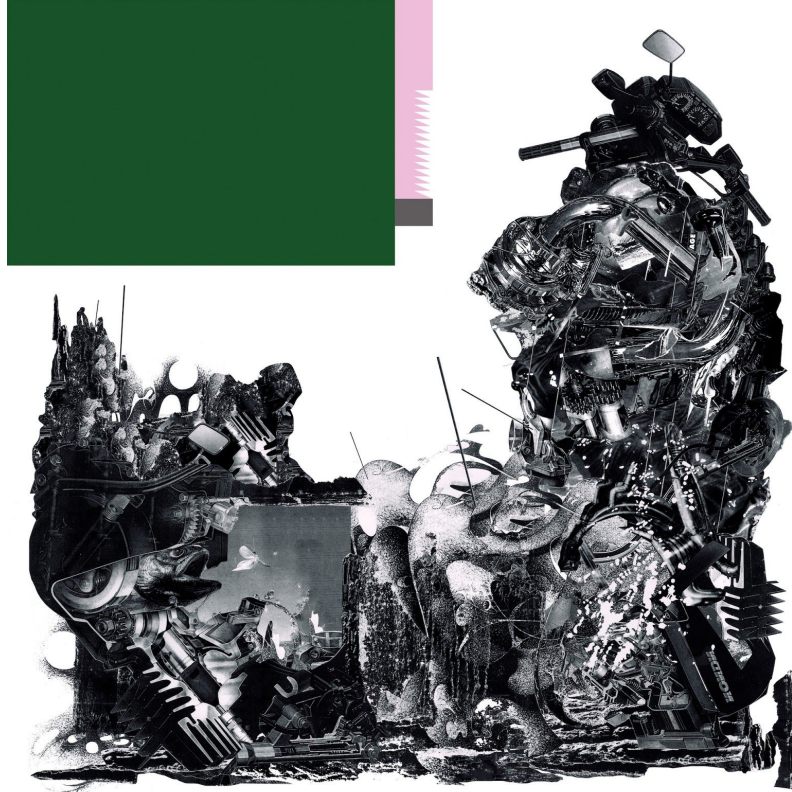
Fri. Sept. 6 - Osaka, JP @ Compass

Sat. Sept. 7 - Kyoto, JP @ Metro

Wed. Sept. 18 - Amsterdam, NL @ Melkweg

Thu. Sept. 19 - Paris, FR @ La Boule Noire
Fri. Sept. 20 - Angers, FR @ Levitation
Sat. Sept. 21 - Bordeaux, FR @ Barbey Indie Club
Wed. Sept. 25 - Lisbon, PT @ ZDB
Mon. Sept. 30 - Zurich, CH @ Bogen F
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
Tue. Oct. 22 - Manchester, UK @ White Hotel
Wed. Oct. 23 - London, UK @ Fabric
Fri. Nov. 1 - Turin, IT @ Club to Club
Thu. Nov. 7 - Detroit, MI @ DeluXX Fluxx
Fri. Nov. 8 - Toronto, ON @ Velvet Underground
Sat. Nov. 9 - Montreal, QC @ Les Foufounes Électriques
Tue. Nov. 12 - Philadelphia, PA @ First Unitarian Church
Wed. Nov. 13 - Washington, DC @ U Street Music Hall
Fri. Nov. 15 - Carrboro, NC @ Cat's Cradle (Back Room)
Sat. Nov. 16 - Atlanta, GA @ The Earl
Sun. Nov. 17 - Nashville, TN @ High Watt
Tue. Nov. 19 - Los Angeles, CA @ Zebulon
Wed. Nov. 20 - Los Angeles, CA @ Zebulon
Thu. Nov. 21 - San Francisco, CA @ Rickshaw Stop
Sat. Nov. 23 - Portland, OR @ Doug Fir Lounge
Sun. Nov. 24 - Seattle, WA @ The Crocodile

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(*Schlagenheim* artwork by David Rudnick)

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