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Klaus Dinger & Japandorf

Japandorf

(Grönland)

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It seems the gifts that Klaus Dinger left this world just keep on giving. Aside from inventing one of the most emulated and forward propelling drumming styles in the existence of modern music in Neu!, he too has been at the creative – and often overlooked – helm of La Düsseldorf. While legal issues have forced a name change from the latter, the title of Klaus Dinger's final swansong is thankfully somewhat irrelevant. Swathed heavily in guitars, 'Japandorf' is a driving, chugging and rhythmic affair coated in the static fuzz on the six strings. There are moments on the record that are as beautiful as they are progressive – no signs pointed to Klaus slowing down in his dying days as the man responsible for the blood-curdling screams and frantic force on 'Hero' can still very much be heard in full here.