



# STEPHEN DAVID HEITKOTTER BLACK ORCKID

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Now-Again Records embarked some years ago on what seemed like a fruitless crusade – to find out more about this *Heitkotter*, his music, his story. In the process, we've visited the house where this confounding album was recorded, found *Heitkotter's* musicians, rescued the demo-recordings that paved the way for this album, uncovered unpublished photos and paintings by the man behind the album, and are now ready to present the definitive look into a musical vision equal parts dangerous and peaceful, nihilistic and optimistic. It's safe to say the world has never heard something like *Heitkotter* – it is a unique piece of art unlike anything that came before or has come after it.

The bizarre LP known as *Heitkotter* – recorded in around 1971 and pressed in a run of less than twenty five copies - was the culmination of one Stephen David Heitkotter's artistic career. Ross Dwelle, Stephen's childhood friend and the drummer on the record, describes the bedroom sessions in a handsome Craftsman home in Old Fresno as this young trio “trying to play five songs written by a man losing his mind... probably stoned the whole time.”

*Heitkotter*, this time issued as *Black Orckid*, as we assume Stephen would have wanted it - is too complicated to be written off as a symptom of a greater ill, or lionized by a few (and dismissed by the majority) as “outsider” art. It's a rare and vital look at 60s and 70s American rock through the sad story – and incredible music – of an untethered soul. And as we hope to show in enlightening more of Stephen's backstory, it can also be considered sweet, kind and optimistic. The *Heitkotter* tale is cautionary, but Stephen's music is as close to the sublime as American rock has ever ventured.

Format: **CD**

Cat. No: **NA 5110-CD**

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## SIDE ONE:

1. HANGIN ALL NIGHT
2. I DON'T MIND
3. QUAKER DOG GOT AWAY

## SIDE THREE:

1. DEMO 1
2. DEMO 2
3. DEMO 3

## SIDE TWO:

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## SIDE FOUR:

4. DEMO 4
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