Statue + Cowboy - Little Dudes EP

Statue + Cowboy is only one guy, T.J. Thomas, from Eugene, Oregon. Inspired by indie pop and black metal, the band minted a singular noise pop esthetic when switched the Tascam on to record a demo in 2010. With three songs, the tape had a minimalist shoegaze sound recommended for fans of Beat Happening, Burzum and Black Tambourine. But the project was being forgotten while T.J. went into metal experiments. In 2012, decided to restart S + C, he produced six new songs during short recording sessions in his bedroom. The result of this process is Statue + Cowboy's debut EP Little Dudes, released for free download by Pug Records.

Little Dudes starts with the lethargic post-punk I Am a Statue, proving it's possible to add some different influences here without giving up the economic style. Bike Walk seems like a rough draft of one of Yo La Tengo's dreamy moments, while I Had Woken Anew reminds Velvet Underground and Microphones. The cloudy It Was Nice Meeting You is the most upbeat, sounding as if Psychedelic Horseshit tried to actually cover a Beach Boys' hit instead of mocking it. And, yes, there is one cover on the tracklist: Conclusão-Ruído-Medicinal, from Coloração Desbotada, a Brazilian guitar band. Reflecting a bored dude's thoughts, Little Dudes is gloomy indie pop in its purest form.



