

INDIE SCENE

LAB COAST

*Pictures on the Wall*

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Leave it to Canada, the no-big-whoop capital of North America, to produce a band as unassuming as Lab Coast. Lax and lovely, this 12-song, 19-minute collection is available as both a digital download and old-school cassette—fitting, since it sounds like it was recorded straight to boombox. Therein lies the charm: These Calgary rockers take the lo-fi slacker-pop sound of American contemporaries Beach Fossils and Real Estate to its laid-back extreme, singing sweet, scrappy songs like “All Right,” all about the promise of Saturday night. As fellow Canadians Loverboy once said, everybody’s working for the weekend—and clearly the dudes in Lab Coast can’t wait to clock out.

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