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## 💿 Band Bio:

Swan Sovereign is a Portland, Oregon trio with punchy, deviant pop songs and harmonies so buttery that you'll forget to be offended by the bossy lyrics. Stephanie Schneiderman (drums) Lara Michell (guitar) and Christine McKinley (bass) are a tight, spare unit with compact songs that burst from dead quiet into tantrums and back down.

Before taking over the rhythm section and forming the power trio that became Swan Sovereign, the three were in Dirty Martini. The music of Dirty Martini was gloomy, introspective and rain-soaked, like April in Portland. Swan Sovereign is more like a dance party on a sunny day in Antarctica - bright hand blinding, with snowballs flying and a bit of blood on the ice from playing too rough.

Swan Sovereign's songs about interrogation, family secrets, and organized rebellion cut clean and deep. Then they rub salt in with mean 60s girl group harmonies leaving listeners with a pretty pink scar.



## Jress Quotes:

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"Many will recognize this Portland-based, power-trio as Dirty Martini, but these days, they have traded in their traditional melancholy and beautifully dark sound for a punchy and defiant pop persona and a new name, Swan Sovereign." -Oregon Music News

"In a just world, Swan Sovereign's "You Are Not My Man" would be an instant hit - it's poppy, rocky, folky melody filled out with great harmonies supporting a biting chorus that puts a man in his place..." -Portland Tribune







