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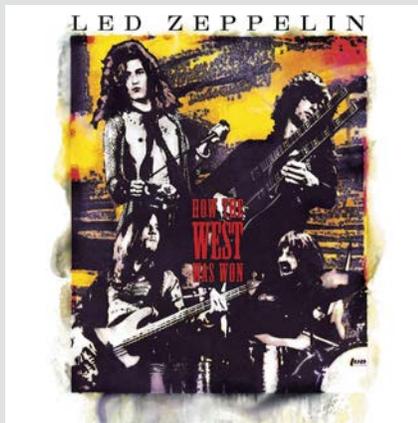


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Snails is truly an artist whose music has no boundaries. After spending years crafting tunes in his small apartment featuring the most grimy sounds and unrelenting bass imaginable, his “vomitstep” sound found a home on labels such as OWSLA, Dim Mak and Monstercat, along with a cult following. His singles ‘The Light’ featuring Sarah Hudson, ‘WFSU’ with Waka Flocka Flame, and ‘Only Want U’ with NGHTMRE featuring Akylla set the stage for his game-changing debut album ‘The Shell’, which served as a testimony to exactly who Snails is as an artist. Now with the launch of Slugz Music, Snails has a home for his music and others’ tunes too, that is as outrageous as they want it to be.

“I want to release music that really inspires me and is just as weird as me,” he quips. We caught up with the talented producer to ask him seven very important questions...



The track that reminds you of your childhood?

“When I was young, my mom used to play a lot of Spanish music, since half of my family is from Acapulco. So I’d say any of Gloria Estefan’s songs make me remember the times me and my mom would be cooking food, and would have some Mexican party with tacos.”

The first record that you ever bought?

“Metallica ‘Kill Em All’. I learned to play guitar with this album. So many hours passed learning the solos of Kirk Hammett, and just jamming to their riffs. I feel it helped to shape my vision of music, and it all started there, ‘cause after Metallica, I discovered Slayer and Megadeth. Metal has been a massive influence in my music and writing.”

What do you listen to that isn’t dance music?

“I listen to a lot of different stuff depending on my mood. Most of the time, it goes around harder music, but I’d say that old school hip-hop is a genre that’s been present in my life since my early high school years. From Biggie to Dre to Gang Starr, it always puts me in a good mood, and makes me remember the good ol’ times.”

The track that’s guaranteed to make you cry?

“Oh wow, that’s a good question. It’s gonna sound so cheesy, but it’s the soundtrack from the video game Zelda The Ocarina Of Time, the Lost Wood Theme. For some reason, I have a special attachment to this game, cause it’s how I learned English with my mom. Me and her were playing so much, and didn’t know much English back then, so we would look into the dictionary to understand what mission we were supposed to do. Plus, the amount of hours my mom and I played that game is unreal. All the amazing moments passed with her, and all the fun we had, can be represented by that song. Every time I hear it, it gets my heart.”

What’s an album and an artist that you’re currently into?

“An artist that I have been listening to a lot is Fisher. He’s such a good person, with the sickest music. He has so many hits from ‘Stop It’ to ‘Losing It’, he always gets the party going in any type of situation. He’s genuinely an awesome person. I would say the latest Travis Scott album I’ve been playing a lot on my playlist lately. Massive and sick album, with so many dope songs, that makes it my top pick.”

The record in your collection that you most treasure?

“That would be the album ‘How The West Was Won’ by Led Zeppelin! I’ve listened to that album probably 72,822,811 times and it never gets old. I feel like back in that time, live recordings of songs were almost better than studio versions on a CD, and that’s what keeps on blowing my mind. The talent that these live artists had is incredible. Jimmy Page is one of my all time favorite guitarists as well, and hearing him crushing ‘Stairway To Heaven’ always makes me happy, regardless of the mood I am in.”

Your all time favorite track of all time?

“‘Stairway To Heaven’ by Led Zeppelin. There’s so many memories linked to that song. It goes back to when I was playing guitar to romance a date I had, or on a sad day, or to good times I had with my friends. It’s for me probably one of the most iconic rock ‘n’ roll songs, that reminds me about the times when I was a teenager.”