# NEW PLACE

**PRESS KIT / 2026**

*Slow-build art rock moving between acoustic detail, violin and loud full-band climaxes.*



## BIO

**New Place are a five-piece from Guernsey**, now split between Guernsey and London. The band first played together as teenagers on the island's local circuit, then returned after time apart with a more exploratory, collaborative approach to songwriting.

Their debut EP, **Garden Songs**, was recorded largely in the **assembly hall of their old primary school**. Across four songs and 24 minutes, it moves from sparse guitar passages, violin and close vocal harmonies into dense, cathartic climaxes. Newer material pushes further into piano, violin and acoustic guitar, while keeping the sudden volume and long-form dynamics that defined the EP.

## SELECTED PRESS

> *"Garden Songs is an excellent beginning for New Place."*
> *Mira Dhillon,* **START TRACK**

> *"a package of songs that is worth anyone's time."*
> *Sasha Sima-Roper,* **Palatinate**

> *"captivating and energising in its own unique way."*
> *Tommy Girard,* **BBC Music Introducing**

## GARDEN SONGS



**Released 14 February 2025 | 4 tracks | 24 minutes**
*Garden Song / The Wall / The Mire / I Love You So Much*

**Garden Songs** grew out of collaborative jams and fragments traded between members while the band were spread across the UK. Its recurring garden imagery holds together songs about endings, friendship, memory and change. The artwork draws on Johannes Hartlieb's Book of Herbs (1462), part of the band's wider use of **public-domain archives** and overlooked, ephemeral material.

**Bandcamp** | **Streaming** | **YouTube**

## PRESS / AIRPLAY

- **BBC Music Introducing** airplay.
- Garden Songs named **Guernsey EP of the Year** by **Tommy Girard** (BBC Music Introducing) in his 2025 year-end review.
- **Ranked #7** in Jarand Aga Baas's nine-release mixed EP favourites of 2025 for Norwegian independent publication **Evig Lyttar**.
- **Palatinate** published a full review and a separate **making-of interview**.

## LINE-UP

- **Reuben Esterhuizen** | vocals, guitar, piano
- **Charlie Stevens** | vocals, guitar
- **Alex Queripel** | guitar
- **Kristian Queripel** | bass
- **Zach Ellis** | drums, violin

***Technical rider available upon request.***

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