



Shovels & Rope - *Little Seeds* Press Highlights

Paste's Top 25 Live Acts Of 2016: #11

2016 Top 40 Country Albums: #22 – Rolling Stone Country

Best Americana Albums of 2016: #6 - AXS

"From birth to death and back to birth again, Hearst and Trent take us through the entire cycle of life on 'Little Seeds'." - NPR Music

"...their most personal and powerful album to date." - Relix

"They mix all of my favorite genres (country, folk, punk, and rock) together seamlessly, and have been releasing gorgeous "alt-country" albums years before Kasey Musgraves and Sturgill Simpson were household names." – Noisey

"Their richest and most personal album to date..." - Garden & Gun

"Shovels & Rope's hands are deep in the dirt on 'Little Seeds', making it one of the finest records in roots music this year." - No Depression

"This husband-and-wife duo manages to span the range from sprightly country-rock stompers to meditative roots-minded whispers...the two engage in a wide range of deeply-felt subject matter..." - The New York Times

*"The best songs on 'Little Seeds' feature some of the South Carolina duo's most evocative writing, and their earthy vocal harmonies are as powerful as ever."
- Paste*

*"...Shovels & Rope — comprised of Michael Trent and Cary Ann Hearst — have earned a reputation as fine storytellers, with a gift for vibrant character songs."
- EW.com*

*"On 'Little Seeds', the pair burrows even deeper into experimentation, intrepidly addressing real-world concerns along with a new spate of their signature freewheeling narratives...a distinctive force in roots music."
- Rolling Stone Country*

*"Shovels & Rope manage to deliver a nearly flawless record. Yet again."
★★★★ - Blurt*

"Tracks like "Invisible Man" and "Buffalo Nickel" sound more like T. Rex and Jack White than the blues of The Civil Wars or the pop-folk of Houndmouth."

- Wired.com

"...overall this is far and away the hardest rocking record Shovels & Rope have ever put out. As a live band, the duo has always had as much in common with The Ramones as they have with Willie Nelson..." - AXS

"Little Seeds' reflects the joy and stress of new parents juxtaposed with the couple's personal tragedies...in other words, the perfect inspiration for an album full of folk, country and rock 'n' roll songs." - Chicago Tribune

"Their latest album, Little Seeds, holds some of their best work yet. They bring their "folk and roll" sound to new heights and show us what it can really do."

- Baeble

"Little Seeds' doesn't abandon their front-porch folk — it expands their world with some of their most raucous and rockin' fare. It's a trip" ★★★★★ - Toronto Sun

"Little Seeds is an album of growth in every way...their strongest record yet...The sound of this record is raw and alive. It's a hell of a ride."

8/10 - Popmatters

"Little Seeds' is an album-length celebration of their particular brand of Americana...a band clearly on the way up." - American Songwriter

"Their new effort, Little Seeds, may be their boldest venture yet, one that spans the vast reach of current events and the troubled times in which we all find ourselves." 9/10 - Glide

"...Little Seeds' is a fantastic LP that showcases Shovels & Rope's uncanny ability to both rock out and rest easy." - Exclaim

"... the sweet spot between Dolly Parton and Jack White, and an omnivorous songwriting appetite that ranges from Dylan and Townes to Joe Strummer and Iggy Pop." - Charleston City Paper

"Shovels & Rope at their best are as scary, chaotic, and beautiful as real life gets." - Lone Star Music

"...a beautifully universal project that sounds just like Shovels & Rope, yet just like something brand new." - The Boot

"Little Seeds' is so honest and raw, and never loses sight of the things that make Shovels & Rope so unique: their keen musicianship, fine vocals, and excellent storytelling." - Popshifter

"With 'Little Seeds', Shovels & Rope further cements their status as one of Americana's premier acts. Their live show is truly a treat." - Hear Ya