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## Cut the Fat

With more than three hundred records coming out in the next two months, there's a hefty amount of new music that *doesn't* belong in your record collection. Here are ten new albums that do.

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▲ **Nada Surf, *The Weight Is a Gift*** Nearly three years after the band's superbly melodic *Let Go* stretched the boundaries of indie pop, Nada Surf delivers a set of similarly poignant anthems, epics, and slow burns, each of which cracks open to reveal gooey insides full of airtight melodies and huge twists. Not many pop bands wear their hearts on their sleeves this stylishly.