

# Illa J Goes Home In New Video

[youtube id="LyNcFC6W2z0"] Illa J takes the viewer on a tour of the Conant Gardens and Krainz Woods neighborhoods on the east side of Detroit in his video for "Home." His falsetto commands the song and is the backdrop to scenes of friends and family. He spends most of the time sitting on the porch of his childhood home in the Die Ottos directed clip. [Home](#), the album comes out June 30th.

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## Illa J Previews Home With Single Sam Cook



It's already been two years since Illa J released his self-titled sophomore album. Home will be his third full-length and "Sam Cook" is the first official leak and it is inspired by the late Gospel/R&B legend Sam Cooke and Calvin Valentine is the producer. Illa J mentions his fascination with singing and how important his vocal coach has been in helping him to literally get the notes out of his mouth. As far as the album title and cover art he had this to say:

*"It all leads back to Home, in the most literal sense. The house I'm sitting in front of on the video for "Home" is the house my parents brought me home to as a baby. So for me it's like going back to the original source, the original purpose. That purpose for me is to sing. That's why this album is so special for me...and Calvin made the perfect soundtrack for me to take you on a soulful stroll through my hometown, Detroit Michigan aka Motown. Hope you enjoy! As*

*Dank would say..”Bless up!!!!!!!!!!””*

Home will come out on June 30th and if you pre-order it, you can stream “Sam Cook” now.

[Home by Illa J \(produced by Calvin Valentine\)](#)

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## Illa J-Spiders

Illa J’s “Spiders” is new music he recorded with producer Calvin Valentine. They made 30 songs but “Spiders” is the first one to surface publicly. Lyrically and sonically “Spiders” sounds like an experience from an altered state. The single is follows the release of his 2015 debut album.

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## Illa J Shares Phife Dawg Version Of French Kiss

You are using the [facebook] shortcode wrong. See examples [here](#). Illa J originally recorded the song “French Kiss” with Phife Dawg for his album but Phife also wanted it for his album. They couldn’t agree so the song was used for Illa J’s current album without Phife’s verses. This week Illa J posted about the Potatohead People-produced song and shared a snippet of it on his Facebook page. He also announced that the version of “French Kiss” with Phife is available now from [Smokin’ Needles](#) in limited edition blue and orange vinyl with

“Nutshell” and an alternate version of “Dear Dilla.”