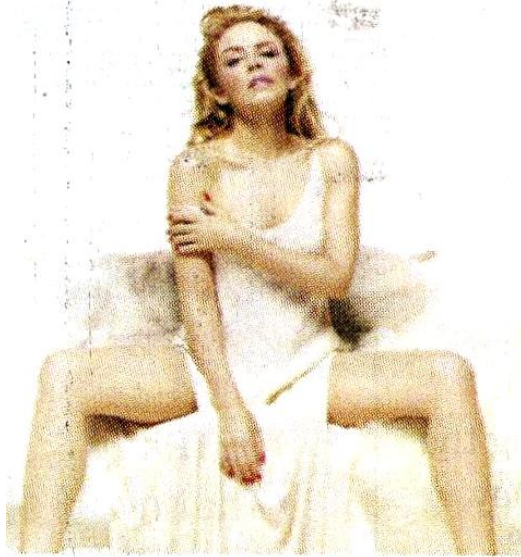


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### **KYLIE MINOGUE**

#### *Kiss Me Once*

When Minogue immigrated to Jay Z's Roc Nation last year, her core constituency hoped for progress—or feared that the Aussie star was losing her identity. Both were wrong. On her 12th studio album, Kylie is still as happily self-governed as the continent she came from; Roc envoys including Pharrell (co-writer of the standout “I Was Gonna Cancel”) are mere visitors in her land of bouncy, electrofied club bait. Dodgy songs abound (see: the trying-too-hard trio of “Sexercise,” “Sexy Love,” and “Les Sex”), but so does Kylie's plucky charm—which should keep her fan base proudly pledging allegiance through album 13. **B-** —Adam Markovitz