



AMBRA001 SERPENTINE EP

Various Artists
Ambra Recordings



Fresh out of Eastern Europe, Ambra is a label from a different side of drum and bass.

Founded by Emery, a long-time producer and mastering engineer from Lithuania, this label will feature talent from home and abroad, developing the local scene and making contact with the world. The upcoming releases promise to show a deep, clean, stylish approach, away from the crazy arenas of London, hidden in the borderlands of Europe and Russia.

Taking influence from the long history of drum and bass, through highlights such as Dillinja, Roni Size, Goldie, High Contrast and Lynx, Emery is determined to keep an adult flavour and promote polished productions. The debut release "Serpentine EP" gives a good idea of the direction of the label, winding like a river through different landscapes, unknown names collaborating with big hitters, always with a focus on quality sounds and thoughtful atmospheres.

Emery & Andrew World - "Summer Rain (Nookie rmx)"

Perfectly capturing a midsummer drive out of the capital city of Lithuania, this relaxed ride takes you rolling over the hills and through the countryside, setting you up for a night on the dacha terrace with some close friends. The original was released on Paradox's Outsider compilation (OUTSIDERC003) and features vocals by Robert Manos. Nookie has done the business on this remix, raising the energy but losing none of the soothing sounds in the process.

Rhythm Beater - "Faint"

As night falls, the atmosphere darkens. It's time for the rolling vibes of the Rhythm Beater, an original South London soldier. Behind him, a whole stack of previous releases with former label-mate Benny Page on Cutterz Choice. Always deep and full of serious energy, with tribal drums and undulating sub bass, the sounds of the Rhythm Beater will take you back to the time you fell in love with drum and bass.

Emery feat. Neringa - "Smiles"

Showcasing the sexy Lithuanian female vocalist Neringa, and expressing 100% positivity, "Smiles" is a track to lift you up after a hard dark night. Shaky percussion, rhodes chords, acoustic guitar licks and sultry sax stabs, this is Emery's happy jazzy side at its best.

Plug this one into your car stereo and don't stop smiling.

Spotless Element - "Shaded Rhapsody"

Another Lithuanian artist with releases on Paradox's Outsider label under various pseudonyms, Spotless Element provides the final track to be included on AMBRA001, and ends the release with a dubby half-tempo dreamer. Precision minimal percussion and lazy sub bass swells are punctuated by piano stabs and riffs, giving an oldskool intelligent drum and bass slant to this promising young producer's work. It sounds like it could be on Good Looking or Metalheadz, but this one's on Ambra Recordings.

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