

Mirah

Sundial E.P.



Tracklist

01. Sundial
02. The World is Falling Apart
03. Oxen Hope
04. Cold Cold Water
05. Little Cup
06. Fleetfoot Ghost
07. The Light

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Genre: Indie / Chamber / Folk

Packaging: LP Jackets

Vinyls is Non-Returnable.

Mirah met **Jherek Bischoff** in **Seattle** through a mutual friend, cellist **Lori Goldston**, in Seattle in 2007. Having an instant affinity, they worked and played together on various projects over the years.

Fast forward to early 2016 when Mirah was asked by **BRIC Arts/Media House** in **Brooklyn** to create a show for their spring season. She immediately contacted Jherek to see if he would write string arrangements for the performance and was met with an enthusiastic 'Yes!'. After choosing the songs, Jherek's composition process was swift and inspired and the two soon found themselves with an album's worth of string quartet arrangements.

The two decided to tour the project immediately following the aforementioned BRIC show. It had been a dream they shared to tour with a string quartet, and by planning the tour as a co-bill, both using the generous talents of the string players, they were both able to realize this dream. Never one to do things in the normal order, it was only after the shows were over that it dawned on Mirah to make a record of all this beautiful stuff. In August of 2016 the strings, electric bass and percussion were recorded live at Shahzad Ismaily's Figure 8 studio in Brooklyn. Vocals and guitar were tracked a few weeks later with producer **Eli Crews**. Both Mirah and Jherek wanted the album to be much less produced than her other recent recordings so they chose to maintain a live feel for the strings, and used only minimal effects and doubling for the vocals and guitar.

With the exception of "**Sundial**" each of these songs has appeared on a previous recordings, now with new breath breathed into them by the unique and varied arrangements. "Sundial was written on a bright full moon night while I was on residency at **The Headlands Center for the Arts** in **Marin, California**. It's about plants. It's what I hear them saying in response to human denial of the interdependence of life on this planet."

The exceptional performances on this record include Jherek Bischoff's signature Hofner bass, first violin by New Amsterdam recording artist and **Contemporaneous Orchestra** founding member **Finnegan Shanahan**, second violin by **Warp Trio's Josh Henderson**, viola by **Tredici Bacci's Abby Swidler**, cello by **Warp Trio's Ju Young Lee**, percussion by the impeccably talented Oakland-based **Andrew Maguire** and percussion and backing vocals by Brooklyn's own **Maia Macdonald**.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The 7 song **Sundial** e.p. is being released as a limited edition 12" clear vinyl record on Mirah's own imprint, Absolute Magnitude Recordings. The front and back cover feature artwork by artist Serra Victoria Bothwell Fels. It is being distributed by Secretly, with support from K. Four bonus tracks, including "The Country of the Future" which was recently featured in Jill Soloway's critically acclaimed t.v. series "I Love Dick", will be available digitally to those who purchase the entire digital e.p. or one of the 1000 vinyl copies.



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