



# Grails

## CHALICE HYMNAL



**ARTIST:** Grails  
**TITLE:** Chalice Hymnal  
**CATALOG:** TRR279  
**RELEASE DATE:** February 17, 2017  
**FORMAT:** CD / 2xLP / Digital  
**UPC CD:** 656605327921  
**UPC LP:** 656605327914  
**BOX LOT: CD:** 35 / **LP:** 18  
**TERRITORY RESTRICTIONS:** NONE  
**VINYL IS NON-RETURNABLE**

### TRACK LISTING

1. Chalice Hymnal (4:22)
2. Pelham (2:49)
3. Empty Chamber (2:33)
4. New Prague (4:50)
5. Deeper Politics (3:49)
6. Tough Guy (3:57)
7. Rebecca (3:47)
8. Deep Snow II (5:48)
9. The Moth & The Flame (4:07)
10. Thorns II (3:59)
11. After The Funeral (10:19)

### SALES POINTS

- The first new album by **GRAILS** in six years
- Features members of **OM, HOLY SONS, LILACS & CHAMPAGNE,** and **WATTER**
- **RIYL: PINK FLOYD, EARTH, OM, THE FLAMING LIPS, CLAMS CASINO**



### BIO

Rather than pick up where they left off, **Grails** take the sky-high riff-based heaviness of their earlier albums and distill it into a nuanced, widescreen opus. The perennial influences of mid-20th century Western film scores, obscure library music, and psychedelic krautrock are indelibly imprinted, but *Chalice Hymnal* exudes an eerie patience in unfurling the many layers of its subtle details.

Produced by the band over the past five years, *Chalice Hymnal* bears some of the European psych and experimental hip-hop production techniques of founding members Alex Hall and Emil Amos' other group, **Lilacs & Champagne**. Amos' meditative metal band, **Om**, and longtime singer-songwriter project, **Holy Sons**, also naturally find their way into the *Chalice* cauldron. Rounding out their leaner line-up, cofounder Zak Riles (also of experimental kraut-psych trio, **Watter**) layers synths and programming into an electronic-prog hybrid that pushes **Grails** further into the deep end, displaying a profound resonance, both musically and emotionally. No one else sounds like **Grails**, and on *Chalice Hymnal* they sound more like themselves than ever before.



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