

OUTERSECT - Caldera (Heart's Eye)

You can tell at a glance how much love and work has gone into this exceptional release. The digipack has a stunning picture of a hand-decorated with henna tatoos — maybe the artist's — like the symbol for the religion Jainism superimposed over a scupltured relief. The henna tattoo should tell you this is heavily Indian-influenced as the psy-trance scene used to be by Goa. Outersect is Rob Rayle and he pursues the ethnically-imbued oscillating sound of lush textures and melting sounds. Some tracks just breathe on their own as with 'Light Universe'. Others have the added sound of lilting vocals as on 'Dil La Liya'.

Many also have a spiritual message with lyrics from sacred hymns which can only be a good thing.

For those who used to go to parties, but get the magazine this is the CD for you to buy to remind you of those wonderful psychedelic chillouts, for those who missed out on those times this is fantastically-produced ambient music with a gorgeous blend of tunes and colours.

DJ On OM (Revolve)