

# LIQUID EMPIRES

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Label: [Hidden Shoal](#)

Hidden Shoal is proud to announce the release of *Liquid Empires*, the new album by German experimentalist Markus Mehr.

*Liquid Empires* is a sonic exploration of the centrality of water to life on Earth. As Mehr explains, "We are water. Water is everything. It is life-giving and deadly, it is progress and comfort, it is central to our economy, energy, transport, food, warmth, cooling and manufacturing. At the same time, water means purity, beauty and mysticism. We spend the first nine months in it. We waste it and we contaminate it..."

Over the course of more than two years, Mehr recorded the sound of rivers, lakes and oceans, then set about transforming these sonic source materials in the digital domain using spectral analysis and time manipulation software. The result is some of Mehr's most mesmerising compositions to date, teasing out harmonic patterns and microscopic textures that are beautiful as they are mystifying.

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