



LAU RO Cabana

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DESCRIPTION

Having spent their formative years in São Paulo Brazil, as a teenager, **Lau Ro** found themselves uprooted from their home. Moving with their family to Europe in search of a better quality of life, their story was like that of many immigrants in the same position. Lau Ro's parents found work in factories and cleaning jobs, for the first few years in the North of Italy and then in Brighton on England's Southern coast. "We never managed to visit back home, so my connection to Brazil became largely made up of childhood memories and my fascination with all the '60s and '70s music I could find from there." In Brighton, the young non-binary singer and composer would immerse themselves amongst the city's vanguard of free-thinking artists and musicians. Lau Ro formed **Wax Machine** whose prefigurative, psychedelic community provided a glimmer of countercultural hope amid a backdrop of national political decline. From 2020 to 2023, Wax Machine birthed three cult-favorite albums in as many years; indebted in part to their British psychedelic forebears from progressive folk, rock and jazz yore. But the kernel of Lau's Brazilian sound was already beginning to blossom across Wax Machine's releases. Now, taking root deeper still, Lau Ro steps forward with their debut album: *Cabana*. Named after the small wood cabin at the bottom of their garden where the album was recorded, *Cabana* is a deeply personal record of memory, self-discovery and imagination. Melancholy and hope combine across ten tracks of dreamy bossa, ambient folk, fuzzy tropicalia and majestic MPB. The music is swathed in masterful string arrangements and trippy electronics in equal part, while Lau Ro's delicate, yet quietly confident voice takes acerbic aim (in both English and Portuguese) at polluted city life, while dreaming of a utopia, rich with nature and wildlife. Like the musical equivalent of semantic drift, Lau Ro's displacement led to the creation of another Brazil. A mythic place in Lau's soul, as they put it, "where the sunshine and joy of my childhood remained untapped." Lau continues: "It's music that might sound as if it came out of a parallel universe Brazil, rather than its modern-day landscape. I am nowadays rediscovering Brazil, going back as often as I can and trying to stay connected to these different parts of the world and myself."

TRACKLISTING

01. Onde Eu Vou
02. Each Day
03. Assim
04. Ensolarade
05. Casinha
06. Somewhere
07. Diferente
08. Midnight Blue
09. Lugar
10. Metamorfose

HIGHLIGHTS

- Brazilian artist **Lau Ro** steps forward with their debut album: *Cabana*, featuring ten tracks of dreamy bossa, ambient folk, fuzzy tropicalia and majestic MPB.
- Lau Ro is the founder of **Wax Machine**, whose prefigurative, psychedelic community provided a glimmer of countercultural hope amid a backdrop of national political decline.
- The music on *Cabana* is swathed in masterful string arrangements and trippy electronics in equal part, while Lau Ro's delicate, yet quietly confident voice takes acerbic aim (in both English and Portuguese) at polluted city life, while dreaming of a utopia, rich with nature and wildlife.

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