

## ALVA NOTO Xerrox Vol. 5

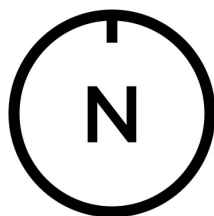
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### DESCRIPTION

NOTON presents the release of *Xerrox Vol. 5*, the final installment of **Alva Noto's** *Xerrox* series. For anyone who has been following the series since its inception in 2007, the concept of *Xerrox* no longer requires introduction. Originally, it aimed to create copies of images – both visual and acoustic – that are more memorable than the originals. The exploration of the relationship between the original and the copy, along with the invention of the copier, not only inspired the series name but also informed its underlying concept. In 2024, this series comes to an end, marking the culmination of a journey that began with the first recording in 2005/2006. Over nearly two decades, the five albums in this series have accompanied the artist's evolving perspective and conceptual approach. **Nicolai** describes this evolution as a journey encompassing buildup, exploration, and resolution, drawing parallels to the *Odyssey* and the stories of **Jules Verne**, particularly those featuring Captain Nemo. The conclusion of this album holds a sense of finality for the artist. In crafting *Volume 5*, Nicolai has evolved his compositional process, eschewing samples in favor of original melodies. Drawing from his recent experiences working with film and larger ensembles, Nicolai's approach to composition reflects a growing influence of classical instrumentation. The sonic atmosphere of *Xerrox Vol. 5* is one of profound dissolution. "I wasn't initially interested in strong, emotional melodic aspects," Nicolai shares, "but I realized that the fragment plays a central role." This shift leads to an emotionally charged experience, imbued with melancholy and the bittersweet essence of farewell. The passing of **Ryuichi Sakamoto**, an admirer of the series, has further deepened the album's emotional resonance. "*Xerrox Vol. 5* has a lot to do with farewell," the artist explains. "Not only the farewell to the series itself, which I've nurtured for almost two decades, but also there have been many farewells to people who were close to me. I believe these people are recognizable in the music. It's a very emotional, personal album." Listeners can expect a visual dimension to the music, though Nicolai intentionally leaves this open to interpretation. The result is a layered listening experience that invites tenderness and introspection. Album art designed by Carsten Nicolai & **Nibo**. Mastering by **Bo** at Calyx.

### TRACKLISTING

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|-----------------|--------------|
| 01. Topia       | 07. Nausicaa |
| 02. Sans Nom I  | 08. Xenonym  |
| 03. Sans Nom II | 09. Ada      |
| 04. Ascent I    | 10. Arc      |
| 05. Ascent II   | 11. Kryogen  |
| 06. Sans Repit  | 12. Isotope  |

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