



## ESFAND Piltan

Label

**30M RECORDS**

Format

**CD**

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**SMR 072CD**

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### DESCRIPTION

A unique blend of traditional Iranian sounds and contemporary electronic music, featuring vocal features by renowned Iranian artists. Ecstatic dance music to get lost in. Esfand is the final month of the Persian calendar, ending with the Nowruz spring festival. **Esfand** is also a band, founded in 2020, consisting of **Rouzbah Esfand** and **Patrick Stewart**. A duo that fuses traditional Iranian Folk elements with Western beats to create something completely new. Their debut album *Piltan* is a flamboyantly danceable statement. No crossover kitsch. Pure instinct music. For his master's thesis, Rouzbah studied the millennia-old rituals and customs of various Iranian ethnic groups. *Piltan* is a sonic journey through a vast country full of cultural peculiarities: starting with the southern Zār rituals of the Persian Gulf, moving to the equestrian people of the Bakhtiari in the southwest, on to the Qashqai in the west and to the Kurds in northwestern Iran with their Dervish rituals. "We're not just about Techno," says Pat. "It's about feeling, groove and excitement." Vocal features by renowned Iranian artists are tailored to the songwriting. Singer and percussionist **Habib Meftah** is featured on two songs. On "Shawl", **Mohsen Namjoo** guest stars, another folk expert, singing lyrics by well-known Iranian poets **Daqiqi** and **Farrukhi Sistani**. London singer **Misagh Moradi** is featured on "Without Foot, Without Head", based on texts by world-famous poet **Rumi**. *Piltan* is the follow-up to 2021's *Héle*. Folk meets techno, millennia-old music meets Western club culture.

### TRACKLISTING

01. Bibi Saghi (Feat. **Habib Meftah**)
02. O' Seda (Of Sound)
03. O' Ham (Of False Sounds - Feat. **Habib Meftah**)
04. Zar Bits
05. Piltan (Ironman)
06. Shawl (Feat. **Mohsen Namjoo**)
07. Without Foot Without Head (Feat. **Misagh Moradi**)
08. Lalaee (Lullaby)

### HIGHLIGHTS

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