



AL-QASAR Uncovered

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DESCRIPTION

Wewantsounds presents the release of **Al-Qasar's** new album, *Uncovered*, a side-project from the group featuring covers from the Western and Arabic repertoires, as well as new originals composed by the group. The album was recorded in Europe and Africa and features guest appearances by **Alsarah**, **Mamani Keita**, **Cheick Tidiane Seck**, and **Sami Galbi**. Al-Qasar's new album keeps exploring diverse sounds from around the world. One says there's nothing like the original. But when the psychedelic collective tackles such a **Depeche Mode** classic as "Personal Jesus," you know you're in for a brain-melting, transcontinental journey. The lyrics are in Turkish, and the song's iconic riffs are played on electric saz. The cast is mouth-watering, with studio wizard **Thomas Attar** producing, playing guitar and saz and Turkish artist **Sibel** on vocals. "Promises," the second single, is an Afro-futuristic heavy-psych track sung in Bambara which features Malian singer **Mamani Keita** (who played with **Salif Keita**) on vocals and the revered "Black Buddah," **Cheick Tidiane Seck** (**Gorillaz**, **Black Eyed Peas**, **Santana**) on keyboards and backing vocals. On drums you've got **Souleymane Ibrahim** (from the Tuareg group **Mdou Moctar**) who unleashes a powerful beat. The rest of the album is sizzling and features Swiss-Moroccan Rai rising star Sami Galbi, Sudanese singer Alsarah, Tunisian virtuoso oud player Nada Mahmoud and Sufi singer Mariam Hamrouni. Produced by **Thomas Attar** who also plays guitars and synths, *Uncovered* has been recorded between Tunis, Lisbon, Bamako and Paris and is enhanced by **Matt Hyde's** warm and massive mix which will enthrall all the group's fans.

TRACKLISTING

- A1. Personal Jesus (feat. **Sibel**) (4:19)
- A2. Desse Barama (feat. **Alsarah**) (4:51)
- A3. Blue Tataouine (feat. **Nada Mahmoud**) (4:12)
- A4. Get Busy (feat. **Sami Galbi**) (4:01)
- B1. Promises (feat. **Mamani Keita & Cheick Tidiane Seck**) (8:59)
- B2. Enyio Nkondon (feat. **Mamani Keita & Cheick Tidiane Seck**) (1:32)
- B3. Bissaha Tlaqayna (feat. **Mariam Hamrouni**) (2:53)

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