

Tom Clark - Pressure Points LP on Highgrade Records



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With an undisputed love of all things vinyl and a strict underground ethos, it's little wonder **Highgrade** have earned a reputation as one of **Berlin's** most significant techno labels. Oh, and the music's not too shabby either. As if to prove the point, their latest release comes from the label head honcho himself, Mr. **Tom Clark**.

His first release of note for some time, the **Pressure Points** LP sees the influential Berliner build on the recent success of his much-heralded **Mikado** project, Highgrade's collaboration with **Dan Ghenacia's Freak n' Chic** imprint.

The ethereal sounding '**Passion**' kicks off proceedings with a warm, daunting analogue baseline acting as the catalyst for an often melodic, yet eerie LP. Tracks such as '**The Rock**' and '**Pressure Points**' continue in a similar manner, with Clark's sound deviating little between the two. The title track is a real standout however, with a groovy, menacing baseline brilliantly complemented by a dark vibe courtesy of a barrage of repeated shakers and filters.

The electronica rumblings of both **Interlude 1** and **2** do little more than prompt a slight change in sound, with 1 in particular acting as a fitting bridge between the minimal house workings of the opening three tracks, and the more compelling full on techno which signals the standout moments of the second half of the album.

Both '**Hitch A Ride**' and '**Keep Your Fancy Free**' make use of a spooky male vocal, with the latter showcasing Clark's madcap, experimental side via a wonky, manic baseline.

'**All I Can See**' on the other hand, represents Clark's attempt at Hot Chip-esque electronica. Unfortunately however, it's an experiment that ultimately garners disappointing results, with feeble vocal

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Artist: Tom Clark
Title: Pressure Points
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Tracklist

01. Passion
02. The Rock feat. Florian Schirmacher
03. Pressure Points
04. Interlude 1
05. Hitch a Ride
06. Keep Your Fancy Free
07. All I Can See feat. Florian Schirmacher
08. Snake Charmer
09. Interlude 2
10. Dream Within a Dream feat. Florian Schirmacher
11. Secrets in My Pocket
12. Floating Cells

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Our Rating: **7,5/10**

