

SIBIIR

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Hailing from Oslo Norway and inspired by the coldest place on earth, Siberia, SIBIIR are a blackened-hardcore quintet who revel in darkness and misery to create their uniquely spine-chilling sound. Summoning up the band's collective influences of black, death, technical, thrash and hardcore, SIBIIR turned heads across with world with their self-titled debut, which Metal Hammer UK described as *'an explosive, eclectic and exciting listen'*.

On their second album *Ropes* the band continue to focus on harrowing soundscapes but also take their sound into more experimental territory. They explain: *'On this record we wanted to explore the diversity in the riffs. We worked on utilizing the different parts in different ways, instead of cramming sh*tloads of ideas into one song. We've been focusing more on the dynamics, not only on each track, but also of the album as a whole.'*

Anticipating of the inevitable collapse of society and the eventual demise of humanity, SIBIIR tackle many of the issues that are sending us down this path on *Ropes*. The band continue:

"The lyrics revolve around issues we find in society today. A looming concern that doesn't let go, which sooner or later will evolve into bona fide anxiety and despair for what the future might hold. The lyrics deal with subjects such as the climate crisis, the increasing wealth gap, a failing capitalist system, and our passive attitude towards it all."

Produced by Øyvind Røsrud Gundersen and mixed by Magnus Lindberg, *Ropes* is nine tracks of pure darkness and aggression that takes the blackened-hardcore sound into new territories with its musical diversity and cutting lyrical content. A record that promises to firmly position SIBIIR as one of the most important heavy bands of tomorrow.

SIBIIR have built a reputation as a ferocious live act from touring with Kvelertak and Shevils, playing shows with Attan and Beaten To Death and performing at Tons of Rock, Øya Festival, Fres Festivals, and more. The band will be performing at this year's Wacken (DE) and Festival Les Boréales (FR) and will soon announce a headline run in support of *Ropes*.

Recorded at Caliban Studios in Oslo, Norway from May 5th to May 13th 2019. Additional recordings done at Brageveien Studio in Oslo May 30th 2019. Produced by SIBIIR & Øyvind Røsrud Gundersen. Engineered by Øyvind Røsrud Gundersen. Mixed by Magnus Lindberg at Redmount Studios in Stockholm, Sweden. Mastered by Brad Boatright at Audiosiege in Portland, Oregon, USA. Cover by Remi Juliebø / deformat. Logo by Vertebrae33.

All music written and performed by SIBIIR. All words by Jimmy. Additional vocals by Tobias. Additional vocals on Monoton by Øyvind. Piano, sibiir-o-tron and synths by Tobias. Additional synth on The Silent Repent, Blurred Flickering Pictures and Monoton by Øyvind.

SIBIIR are: Eivind Kjølstad (drums), Jimmy Nymoen (vocals), Kent Nordli (bass), Steffen Grønneberg (guitar), Tobias Gausemel Backe (guitar)