

COMPOS MENTIS

OUR KINGDOM OF DECAY
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DENMARK IS PROBABLY MOSTLY KNOWN FOR ITS SMALL SIZE, FOR H.C. ANDERSEN'S FAIRYTALES, FOR BEING THE OLDEST MONARCHY IN THE WORLD AND FOR HAVING THE HAPPIEST INHABITANTS IN THE WORLD. THEREFORE DENMARK SEEMS TO BE AN ALMOST PERFECT PLACE - BUT EVERYONE HAS SKELETONS IN THE CLOSET...

THE TITLE OF COMPOS MENTIS' NEW ALBUM, "OUR KINGDOM OF DECAY", IS EQUIVOCAL AS "DECAY" IS PRONOUNCED LIKE "DK" (THE DANISH ISO CODE), AND TO PUT IT SHORT THE ALBUM'S THEME IS DENMARK AND NOT LEAST SOME OF THE REPRESSED AND OBSCURE ELEMENTS FROM THE NATION'S HISTORY. AMONG OTHER THINGS THE LYRICS DEAL WITH DENMARK'S WORST SERIAL KILLER, DAGMAR OVERBYE, WHO KILLED ALMOST 25 INFANTS IN THE BEGINNING OF THE 20TH CENTURY. AT THAT TIME IT WAS UNWELCOME TO HAVE CHILDREN OUTSIDE MARRIAGE AND THEREFORE DESPERATE MOTHERS LEFT THEIR BABIES WITH DAGMAR, BELIEVING THAT SHE WOULD TAKE CARE OF THEM - BUT INSTEAD SHE KILLED THEM AND BURNED THEIR CORPSES IN THE STOVE.

APART FROM THIS THE ALBUM REFERS TO THE DISFIGURATIONS OF THE LITTLE MERMAID, THE INSANE KING CHRISTIAN VII, THE SCHLESWIG WAR IN 1864, A CERTAIN DANISH PREDILECTION FOR LOBOTOMY AND MUCH MORE. THIS IS OUR KINGDOM OF DECAY!

SINCE 2001 COMPOS MENTIS HAVE RELEASED THE EP "QUADROLOGY OF SORROW" (SELF-FINANCED, 2001), THE DEBUT ALBUM "FRAGMENTS OF A WITHERED DREAM" (LOST DISCIPLE RECORDS, 2003) AND THE SUCCESSOR "GEHENNESIS" (MIGHTY MUSIC, 2007). ALL THESE RELEASES HAVE BEEN PRAISED BY THE PRESS AND BOTH ALBUMS WERE NOMINATED AT THE DANISH METAL AWARDS (DMEA). APART FROM THIS COMPOS MENTIS HAVE BEEN ON A EUROPEAN TOUR WITH ILDDISPOSED, A MINI-TOUR WITH CHAOSWAVE, PLAYED NUMEROUS CONCERTS AT CLUBS AND FESTIVALS IN DENMARK, AND BEEN FEATURED ON SEVERAL COMPILATIONS AND SAMPLERS, TO NAME BUT A FEW THINGS.

DURING THE RECENT YEARS COMPOS MENTIS HAVE EXPERIENCED A SERIES OF LINE-UP CHANGES AND APART FROM HAVING ADDED A LOT OF NEW ENERGY TO THE BAND, THE NEW MEMBERS HAVE CONTRIBUTED WITH INPUTS FOR A NEW AND CONSIDERABLY MORE CATCHY SOUND. THE RESULT IS A MOVING AND DYNAMIC ALBUM, WHICH IS SURE TO CARRY EXISTING FANS AWAY AS WELL AS WIN OVER A WIDE RANGE OF NEW FANS FROM WITHIN THE METAL COMMUNITY. "OUR KINGDOM OF DECAY" WAS RATED 6/6 IN METALZONE, 9/10 IN METALIZED, 8/10 IN DISKANT, 4/6 IN GAFFA, ETC.



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GEHENNESIS
MIGHTY MUSIC, 2007

METAL REVOLUTION ([HTTP://WWW.METAL-REVOLUTION.COM](http://www.metal-revolution.com)). 93/100
THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE RELEASE GEHENNESIS HAS EVERYTHING A DEATH METAL RECORD SHOULD HAVE AND A LOT MORE TO IT. I EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM COMPOS MENTIS.

LUNAR HYPNOSIS ([HTTP://LUNARHYPNOSIS.COM](http://lunarthypnosis.com)). 10/10
FANS OF BOTH MELODIC DEATH AND MELODIC BLACK METAL WOULD BE RIPPING THEMSELVES OFF BY NOT SEEKING OUT THIS BAND. IF YOU ALREADY KNOW OF THEIR SOUND WITH FOAWD, THEN YOU SHOULD GET THIS, PRONTO.

NOCTURNAL HORDE ([HTTP://WWW.NOCTURNALHORDE.COM](http://www.nocturnalhorde.com)). 7,5/10
FANS OF THOUGHT-THROUGH MELODIC ATMOSPHERIC DEATH METAL WITH DARKER PARTS WILL GO APESHIT OVER THIS ALBUM, THAT'S FOR SURE!

DIGITAL METAL ([HTTP://WWW.DIGITALMETAL.COM](http://www.digitalmetal.com)). N/A
THIS LOT MEAN BUSINESS - AND THEIR BUSINESS IS KILLER RIFFING.
(...) I LOVED FRAGMENTS OF A WITHERED DREAM, AND RECKON THIS LOT ARE CAPABLE OF GREAT THINGS. GREAT START TO 2003!

METAL JUDGEMENT ([HTTP://WWW.METALJUDGEMENT.COM](http://www.metaljudgement.com)). 4/5
BOTTOM LINE IS THAT THIS DISC IS MORE THAN WORTH YOUR WHILE, AND (...) FOR A DEBUT THIS IS ONE HELL OF A WAY TO KICK THINGS OFF. ONE WORD REVIEW: IMPRESSIVE.

POSSESSED MAGAZINE ([HTTP://WWW.POSSESSED.DE](http://www.possessed.de)). 4/5
ENDLICH MAL WIEDER EIN MELODISCES, SCHWEDISCHES DEATH METAL ALBUM, WELCHES NICHT LANGWEILIG UND EINSCHLÄFERND IST. CM SCHLAGEN DIE NEUEN IN FLAMES UND DARK TRANQUILITY UM LÄNGEN.



FRAGMENTS OF A WITHERED
DREAM
LOST DISCIPLE, 2003



QUADROLOGY OF SORROW
SELF-FINANCED, 2001

ANCIENT SPIRIT ([HTTP://WWW.ANCIENTSPIRIT.DE](http://www.ancientspirit.de)). 12/12 + "DEMO DES JAHRES"!!
(...) UND SO WIRD MEIN FINGER WIE VON ZAUBERHAND ZUM 'REPEAT'-KNOPF BEWEGT, UM DIESE WUNDERBARE WELT NUR NICHT SCHON WIEDER VERLASSEN ZU MÜSSEN.

MORDOR MAGAZINE. 10/10
SCHLICHT UND EINFACH EIN KLASSE ALBUM, DAS LEIDER MIT SEINEN VIER SONGS VIEL ZU KURZ IST. ICH KÖNNTE STUNDEN LANG SOLCHE MUSIK HÖREN. EINFACH EIN GENUSS."

METAL-REALM.COM ([HTTP://WWW.METAL-REALM.COM](http://www.metal-realm.com)). 10/10
WHOAH!!! I CAN'T HELP STANDING AMAZED BEFORE COMPOS MENTIS, THE DANISH QUINTET WHICH HAS THE TALENT (...) TO CREATE SUCH A MASTERPIECE! HONESTLY, I CAN FIND NO FLAW IN THIS WORLD-CLASS WORK.