

Metal Only

Das einzig WAHRE Metalradio im Netz!

Band: Kaiserreich (I)
Genre: Black Metal
Label: De Tenebrarum Principio
Albumtitel: Cuore Nero
Duration: 58:05
Releasedate: 07.09.2015



I cannot tell when it happened. But from a certain point the album casted a spell a over me. And yet the band from Italy does not offer anything that hasn't already been there in the last 25 years of black metal.

Slowly trailing drums alternating with mid-tempo, as well as fast tapping now and then fast banging are commonplace. The guitar work can be characterized by rather slowly developed riffs, similar to doom metal. There are no riff massacres. But the bass is clearly audible and provides its own accents. Regarding the mood the whole thing produces a mixture of melancholy and sadness with rage. There is no middle course between sheer rage and depressive suicide black metal.

The vocals are on the border to yelling, as if the vocalist would sing with the handbrake on firmly. Yes, singing, since here they value accentuation. Mean scolding or aggressive barking would not suit the music, insofar this singing style is very, very fitting. The sound knows how to impress mainly by the fact that all the instruments and the vocals come into their own equally.

I did not know the name Kaiserreich up until now, but probably I am not the only one. Despite the name, the band comes from Italy by the way. "Cuore Nero" (translated: Black Heart) is the third album and hopefully the band will get the attention it deserves eleven years after founding.

Conclusion:

Kaiserreich show that the tree that Katatonia planted in 1993 with "Dance Of December Souls", still bears fruit. Melancholic black metal, which remains dynamic and thus never drifts off in pure depressive realms.

Rating: 8/10

Recommendations: Ombra infranta, Zero negativo

Weblink: <https://www.facebook.com/kaiserreich.it>

Lineup:

Serpent est - Vocals
Tyrant M. - Bass
Luce - Guitar
Abraxas - Guitar

Tracklist:

01. Unico sole
02. Bianco freddo
03. Senza luce
04. Ombra infranta
05. Vuoto assoluto
06. Zero negativo
07. High Hopes
08. Solitudes of Infinite

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