

Cybophonia – Sway (EP, out October 10, 2025)

Cybophonia is the project of Swiss musician and producer Eros Minichiello. Active since the early 2000s with releases on the Italian label Irma Records and the well-known remix of Black Mighty Orchestra's Ocean Beach, his early work was rooted in the chillout and downtempo scene. In recent years, however, he has redefined his sound with Bloom (2021) and Nothing More (2024), two multifaceted albums that blend dream pop, electronic elements, and folk-inspired songwriting. These records marked a clear shift toward a more organic and indie pop-oriented direction.

The new EP Sway continues this evolution, bringing together dream pop, shoegaze, and subtle electronic textures into an intimate, cinematic sound — an ethereal pop-rock blend. The opening track Fading Light, released as a single in August 2025, sets the tone with its layered guitars, airy vocals, and a restrained crescendo that feels both detailed and expansive. In Love follows with distorted guitars and an urgent rhythm, counterbalanced by ethereal female vocals; powerful, fast, and catchy, it channels shoegaze energy while retaining melodic immediacy. With its bright guitar arpeggios and pop sensibility, Over Time recalls the shimmering textures of acts like Beach House, but sharpens them into something more direct and accessible – damned (dream) pop! The EP closes with Pretend You're Mine, a ballad with a strong pop sensibility that alternates quieter verses and a chorus bursting into distorted guitars with a psychedelic edge, ending the record on a reflective yet uplifting note.

With Sway, Cybophonia delivers a cohesive yet varied collection that reflects his ongoing artistic transformation, connecting past and present while opening new creative horizons.

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