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# And the Forests Dream Eternally

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## Review

by Greg Pratt

It's often been said that *Slayer's* music is the "perfect soundtrack for entering hell," and upon hearing one of Behemoth's first-ever releases, *And the Forests Dream Eternally* (reissued in 2006), the same could be said about this Polish death metal band. When you hear the phrase death metal, you pretty much know what's in store – growled vocals, metronome drumming, amphetamine-like guitar riffs, horror movie-like lyrics, Satanic song titles, ghoulish make-up and attire. And Behemoth follows the checklist perfectly. No real musical surprises here, but that's how the majority of death metal-heads would prefer it. It's hard not to feel drained just listening to such full-on metallic onslaughts as "Sventevith Storming Near the Baltic" (included here in two different versions), how drummer *Inferno* doesn't pass out from sheer exhaustion is a miracle. Despite death metal lurking in the depths of the underground for much of the '90s, it still had a heartbeat, as evidenced by *And the Forests Dream Eternally*.

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**Artist**  
Behemoth

**Album**  
And the Forests Dream Eternally

**Rating**  
★★★★☆

**Release Date**  
May 23, 2005

**Recording Date**  
Jul 1994-Feb 1997

**Label**  
Metal Mind

## Tracks

	Title	Composer	Time
1	Transylvanian Forest	Nergal	5:34
2	Moonspell Rites	Nergal	6:00
3	Sventevith Storming Near the Baltic	Nergal	5:58
4	Pure Evil and Hate	Nergal	3:07
5	Forgotten Empire of Dark Witchcraft	Nergal	4:17
6	With Spell of Inferno (Mefisto)	Nergal	4:38
7	Hidden in the Fog	Nergal, Tomasz	5:12
8	Sventevith Storming Near the Baltic [Version 97]	Nergal	5:18

## Releases

Year	Type	Label	Catalog #
2005	CD	Metal Mind	0169

**Genre**  
Rock

**Styles**  
Death Metal/  
Black Metal  
Heavy Metal