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Artist: Behemoth
Title: "And The Forests Dream Eternally"
Label: Metal Mind
Release Date: 7/11/2006
Genre: Death Metal

Rating: 3/5

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Behemoth is not a new band to those that are only becoming aware of the bludgeoning power that the group possesses. Yes as far back as 1994 the band existed and this remaster of some of their early work on Metal Mind is a good way to educate you on how the band came to be. As soon as you begin to spin "And The Forests Dream Eternally", you will find a Death Metal superpower in their infancy. The power and majesty is there with Nergal growling his way through the buzzing guitars and blasting drums but there is a lot of similar style to bands that were coming about during this time as well. To compare this release to how they sound on "Demigod" will amaze you at the level of technical and powerful difference that came to be as the band matured and grew into their own identity all the more. Drums back then were still handled by the mighty Inferno, but bass and guitars were different citing Frost, Les and Baal as their session help for the recording. Nergals voice has gotten scarier over time as well, and he is the focal point of the group and core creator of the material. His talents are quickly apparent even back then but given its age and production budget the remaster showcases some of the recording limitations the band faced at the time of the recording. Drums are way in the back and bass is almost non-existent. I liked "Moonspell Rites", "Forgotten Empire Of Dark Witchcraft" and "Pure Evil And Hate" (a number which is still performed by the band in 2006) but the rest sounded too similar for me and made me glad I heard about them later in life. This is more for those who enjoy snaring the bands early work especially, but should you be just digging into Behemoth make sure you snare the DVD release "Live From Eschalon" or "Demigod" CD first. Once you do, there is no turning back on Behemoth.



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