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GALAXIES OF TRANCE RESOUND WITH THE BEAT OF GLOBALISATION

From Australia to Turkey, from more than 30 countries we compiled a new Trancers' Guide to the Galaxy for you. This compilation of country reports disclosed that of course globalisation effects can be also perceived in the Psytrance scene. Starting with the location issue: Many people, originally stemming from one country, were living, and obviously partying, somewhere else, for example Israelis and Australians in Europe, Europeans in Asia, and US Americans in South America. So, collecting reports at this time of the year had to cope with two obstacles: first of all, while we were freezing in Northern Europe, some as the Brazilians, Australians and New Zealanders were right in the middle of their open air season. And secondly, many European and Israeli Trancers had fled winter and were gathering in Thailand, and still, Goa. These two facts were evident because people were not available, could not be reached or only replied after weeks. Moreover, a big difference was unmistakably showing in the pics. Some had obviously been shot at indoor parties, from Europe. But others showed festivals in the sun, from South America and down under. All that is proof that the sounds of Trance never stop and that the sun really never sets. Which is not Trancers' wisdom but simply very very oldschool globalisation: Earth orbits sun, and we are on it, sharing the ride, listening to the sound, dancing to the beat. One crowd is always dancing in the sun while the other is gathering for the next summer. Don't forget that.

As we had hitherto lacked a global Trance network, we re-built one, partially reviving merited area agents in the process. As we traversed by modern communication these multiple Trance galaxies thriving on this planet our communication unearthed the

sound of Trance in many countries and traced many new eager agents. Country agents who in this issue of the Trancers' Guide provide us with fresh reports from all over a planet infected with Trance. Their reports deliver sounds of bass, reports of people globally struck by the wonders of music in all climates. Worldwide this sound warms our souls, the music invigorates ours minds. Even in current Europe where not only the climate but also the political and economic symptoms of gradual perhaps even harsh decline have shattered whole countries – even there, the sound never stops. Don't forget this either.

The hearts of people keep beating nevertheless and ecstasy is supplemented by Trance music. While the Mayan calendar seems to have been read incorrectly, the recent meteor's course fortunately not...this new Trancers' Guide to the Galaxy radiates energy and tells you where you can load up those Trance batteries, every time of the year. Energy for all of you Trancers out there, on whatever orbit you are spinning. It also holds forth unswervingly that humanity can really be pro-creative. It need not be about destruction, exploitation and profit. Instead Trance may even be beneficial to your health. Trust us.

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Festival Map



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JUNE

- 01** Tree Of Life Festival
13-18 • Izmir (TR)
www.electreelife.com
- 02** Summer Dream OA
15-16 • Parchim (D)
www.goabase.net/70139
- 03** NOMAD Sundance Festival
19-23 • Antalya (TR)
www.nomad-festival.info
- 04** Burning Mountain Festival
20-23 • Zerne, Engadin (CH)
www.burningmountain.ch
- 05** Tangra Festival
20-24 • Sandanski (BG)
www.tangrafest.com
- 06** Spirit Base
21-30 • Rajka (HU)
www.spirit-base.at
- 07** Solstice
22-23 • Ruigoord, A'dam (NL)
www.tranceorientexpress.nl

JULY

- 08** Freqs Of Nature
04-09 • Niedergörsdorf (D)
www.freqsofnature.de
- 09** Life Celebration Festival
04-08 • Fort Punta Christo (HR)
www.lifecelebrationfestival.com
- 10** Paradise Festival
11-14 • Falkenstein (AT)
www.paradise-festival.at
- 11** Believe Freedom Festival
11-15 • Whistler (CA)
believefreedomfestival.com
- 12** Halkidiki Dance Festival
13-17 • Halkidiki (GR)
halkidiki-dance-festival.com
- 13** Antaris Project
19-22 • Stöln (D)
www.antis-project.de
- 14** S.U.N. Festival
24-28 • near Budapest (HU)
www.sunfestival.info/2013

AUGUST

- 15** Summer Never End Festival
01-04 • Mulegns Graubünden (CH)
www.summerneverends.ch

- 16** Sonica Festival
01-05 • Albanella (I)
www.sonica-dance-festival.eu

- 17** Hafengrün Festival
02-04 • Hamburg (D)
www.hafengruen.de

- 18** O.Z.O.R.A. Festival
06-11 • Ozora-Dádpuszt (HU)
www.ozorafestival.eu

- 19** Wonderland
09-11 • Stewede-Wehden (D)
www.wald-frieden.de

- 20** Sommernachtstraum
10-11 • Meck-Pomm (D)
www.forrest-explosion.de

- 21** Freedom Festival
13-18 • Vila Fernando Elvas (P)
www.freedom-festival.eu/2013

- 22** Lost Theory Festival
14-19 • Gracac (HR)
www.losttheoryfestival.com

- 23** Transylvania Calling
19-26 • Rasnov (RO)
www.transylvania-calling.com

- 24** Modern Psytrance Festival
21-25 • Primislje (HR)
www.modernfestival.com

- 25** Kannibalen Massaker
22-25 • Pfaffing Oberbayern (D)
www.kannibalen-massaker.com

- 26** Hadr Trance Festival
22-25 • Lans-en-Vercors (F)
www.hadrtrancefestival.net

- 27** Shamballa Festival
29-01 • Morocco
www.shamballafestival.com

DECEMBER

- 28** Universo Paralello
27-04 • Bahia - Brasil (BR)
www.universoparalello.org





AUSTRALIA – diversity mushrooming downunder

Psyculture abounds in Australia, with summer festivals and smaller parties (or “doofs”) world-renowned carriers of the Psy vibe, which in recent years reverberates in diverse forms. The culture remains strongest on the east coast, principally Melbourne, S.E QLD and Cairns (Far North QLD), although the Byron Bay/Rainbow Region of north-coast NSW has played a key role.

Melbourne's role in the evolution of ozpsy and technoculture is evident in festivals mounted in Victoria. Chief is Rainbow Serpent Festival held in late January – in 2014 will celebrate its 17th birthday. While Rainbow is a full-blown EDM carnival, with a now famous Opening Ceremony orchestrated by indigenous custodians, Maitreya Festival returns punters to a more organic underground vibe. And marking the transition from spring to summer and from doof to festival Lost the Plot offers compressed psychedelia, and Strawberry Fields diverse sounds. Older standard bearers of the psychedelic tradition include Tribeadelic (rumoured to soon return), the right Royal Doof, and Earthcore, the country's first large scale psychedelic outdoor event, which plans to return from the vaults with a 20 year anniversary show-down in November.

Throughout the year, this diversity is found in festivals mushrooming around the country, such as Earth Frequency (S.E. QLD) which pushes the boundaries of

visionary and sonic arts, Harmonize (S.E. QLD) with its all Oz and NZ line-up, Dragon Dreaming (Canberra) building a community vibe, Regrowth Festival in the tradition of eco-sounds events, Psyfari by Sydney crew Noisy Chicken, Fractangular (Tasmania), Subsonic in N.E NSW at the



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geophysical terrain.

Regardless of style, at the centre of this culture stands the doof, which over 20 years has become an institution, with countless

minimal techno and house tip, and Earthdance (various locations).

Other throwdowns legendary to punters maturing through the 1990s/2000s, and apparently never growing old, include those operated by Melbourne crews Psy-Harmonics, Pyscorroboree (Gaian Thump), Green Ant, and the Trancelemons series, Dragonflight, Earthdream, Exodus Cybertribal Gathering, Cairns Winter Solstice Festival, Peats Ridge, and the spectacular epic that was Eclipse 2012 Festival near Cairns. Most events in Oz push the boundaries of psychedelic, the sensibilities of which are constantly shifting. This diversity is found in pioneering labels like Psy-Harmonics, Digital Psionics, Electric Power Pole, and Zenon, along with Adapted, Open, Sundance and UP, as well as emergent labels like Enig'matik, Fish 'N Trips, Replicant and Soundkraft. As the output from these sound houses amplifies, Australia is host to an undergrowth of eclectic sounds evoking a rich and diverse



numbers raised on exhilarating romps from the city into the forests, deserts, beaches, and bush. Out there, ecological diversity, commitment to sustainability and the relatively stress-free social environment make for a unique party climate and music aesthetic.

WEBSITES

- rainbowserpent.net
- maitreyafestival.com
- losttheplofestival.com
- strawberry-fields.com.au/strawberry/
- tribeadelic.com
- oztrance.net
- royaldoof.com
- earthcore.com.au/intro.html
- earthfrequency.com.au
- harmonizefestival.com
- dragondreaming.net
- re-gen.org.au
- psyfari.com
- fractangular.com.au
- subsonicmusic.com.au



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AUSTRIA – growing and growing

The Psytrance scene in Austria is one of the biggest in Europe compared to the size of the country. Its history started before the mid 1990s. Trancers went to events like Garden Eden and Shambala and around the turn of the millennium to Kobersdorf mill and the castle of Landsee. The legendary Sonnenklang festival with around 10 dance floors and up to 8,000 visitors became the highlight of the scene between 2003 and 2007.

Austria's biggest international yearly open air events today are Spirit Base Festival of Goran in June, Paradise Festival in Falkenstein in July and F.L.O.W Festival in August – lasting between 3 and 10 days. The "Children of the Future" festival of old-trancer DJ Goandi in September marks the end of every outdoor season. During wintertime there are Paradise and Spirit Base Winter Festival with their outstanding deco concepts. The beginning of the outdoor season every year is the traditional 1st May free party in Vienna of DJ Kajola and zero gravity – here you meet all fraggles of eastern Austria yearning for the summer that starts on this day.

The scene in Austria in the last years is growing and growing – this is the result of high quality parties, good producers and very healthy local scenes. Many local producers like Materia, Ianuaria, Malice in Wonderland or Aioaska had a big international impact and travel around the globe from festival to festival. Not to forget the Austrian based record label 24/7 Records that is leading in its musical genre.

The centres of the scene in Austria are Vienna, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Upper Austria and Graz. Vienna gathers the most important party tribes and locations. The well-established Cosmic – space disco takes place on a monthly basis in some of the best club-venues of the city. The Soundlab Pirates tribe surprised in the last year with new locations and launched a very successful

party series. Lucid Dreams gather the experimental and Dark Psy crowds. The Together Trance Project stands for Fullon and DJ Alezzaro's Progressive Selection for more proggy sounds. Aquatica and Weberknecht organise parties also during the week. If you like spiritually ritualised parties try the Avaloka parties of Manuel and DJ Gobayashi. The central Psy-shop is the Aurinshop or Spaceland in Vienna for flyers, info and getting in touch with the Psy-crowds.

Also Salzburg has a very lively scene with a lot of different events like the famous Otherland parties, in Tyrol Psybox makes a party nearly every weekend and has grown to one of the most successful Psytrance events there. In Upper Austria the biggest events are Mondton, Cosmic-space disco and Klangbewusstsein, in Lower Austria the Samsara group and Böllerbauer and in Styria the Trancealpine and Alchemy tribes, and not to forget the Aum tribe of Vorarlberg.

Famous Austrian Psytrancers are VJ El Geko (Psynema), the Phoenix Fire Dancers, VJ Sikanda, the Extradimensional Space



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MATERIA

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- flow-festival.at
- togethertrance.com
- soundlabpirates.com
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BELGIUM – Small country, big scene

Partytime:

Usually the parties start at around 11pm to midnight. Most clubs will close at 6-7 am

Average prices:

Small parties 7 EUR, mid-sized 11-15 EUR, big 25 EUR, beer 2 EUR, water 1 EUR

Police controls:

Quite a lot of police controls, sometimes even before festivals.

Drug screening:

Minimum of traffic controls.

In Belgium the police is using the sweat tests for drugs and the traditional device measuring alcohol from breath. According to law you can refuse the test but this might get you arrested.

Possession of up to 3 grams of cannabis is legal in Belgium.

Some well-known party promoters:

Dacru Records – psytrance record label, event organizing and promotion dacru.be
Tribes Gathering – multicultural festival with a psychedelic stage too tribesgathering.org
Back to Basics – managing the psychedelic stage at the famous Tomorrowland Festival
Smiley Tribe – organizing Progressive parties

Some important Trance labels:

Dacru Records mostly FullOn dacru.be
Suntrip Records old-school since 2004 suntriprecords.com
Naturall Productions – FullOn, it for sure exists, but the website is temporally down atm

EPHEDRIX

Did you know that Belgium has more than 1000 different original beers, making it an interesting country for beer-lovers like me. Every beer has also it's own glassware for the perfect taste and drinking experience.

➤ ephedrix.be

GanjaTree Records – FullOn ganjatreec.be

Important producers and DJs:

Producers: Ephedrix, Bitkit, Digicult, Whicked Hayo, LANI
DJ's: Phasid, Bitkit, ME (female DJ), Foose, Leech, Apnea (resident DJ in Baan Sabai bar, Koh Phangan and Experience Festival, Koh Tao), Electric Lord, D-Ther

Points of interest

for Trancers:

The legendary Ultra Violet shop which sells alternative clothing, psychedelic – cyber – clubwear (including well-know brands such as Space Tribe, High,

D-THER

GanjaTree Records

Blowing your mind and making you dance is the only goal this Belgian producer is setting. Diether (D-ther) Verheyen felt like coming home when he had his first experience in 2005 with the PsyTrance scene. A few years later he started working on his own material. After having released his debut EP on GanjaTree Records which was very well recieved, he's ready to take you on another sonic journey! With deep basslines, twisted and distorted melodies and an intelligent production, his music will take you on a trip beyond reality.

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- [soundcloud.com/D-ther](https://www.soundcloud.com/D-ther)

Public Beta etc.) for more than 20 years, located in Antwerp. ultra-violet.be
Goddess Shop – another legendary shop which sells clothes designed by designer Lies De Peuter and produced in Bali, the shop is located in Leuven in medieval cellars. goddess-clothes.be
CandyDreamSpiral shop located in Hasselt sells the most amazing psychedelic hand-made unique clothes made by Belgian artist Evaatje Leenders, plus various psychedelic art, accessories and jewelry.

Other fun activities:

Visit one of the famous Belgian Trappist monastery breweries and to try the beer. Many



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of Belgium's finest brews can not be bought outside the region in which they are made, so one should try the beer on the spot. Pairi Daiza is a zoo-entertaining park focused on preservation of nature and history, with attractions such as The mysterious cabinet, Path of Healing to Raptors Village: pairidaiza.eu

How to travel Belgium:

All info about trains, busses and other public transport in Belgium plus a possibility to plan/ calculate your route can be found at: delijn.be
Hitch-hiking is pretty safe and quite easy, but it is not that popular as it used to be in the past.

Did you know that...?

Saxophone is actually an Belgian invention, invented by Belgian instrument maker Adolphe Sax.



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18/05 - Ilai, Plasmotek, Gino Sonica ... – Elewjit

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BRAZIL – festivals in perpetual summer

Brazil is a country of continental dimensions where you can expect to find many kinds of psychedelic parties. It offers many possibilities for the party organisers to properly host their events: beaches, waterfalls, lakes and forests. Mother nature is everywhere here. It started in the sands of Trancoso in the mid nineties. Old Goa freaks arrived and starting doing underground parties at the coast of Bahia.

The first Brazilians to get in touch with it were the Daime Tribe crew & Celso (R.I.P.). They brought the party model to their hometowns (Sao Paulo & Belo Horizonte) where the first Psytrance seeds started to grow. Simultaneously, Swarup and Ekanta, arrived from the Netherlands as Goa DJs and started it in Brasilia (Brazil's capital).

Throughout almost 20 years, the Brazilian "scene" went through many different sizes and shapes. From small "pure Goa" parties at its beginning, through giant events

for Soul Vision in Sao Paulo and Zuvuya in Goias. September 7th, every year, Samsara, one of our oldest festivals, will happen in Uberlandia. In mid July, in the legendary lands of Alto Paraíso, Goias (very mystical), you can find the FAK – Festival do Kranti, very underground.

Musically, you will find a Psytrance nest. From the deepest Progressive beats, through the Psychedelic groove, to the "no limit bpm" Dark music, there are a lot of talen-

on Psytrance music, but two national labels also release homegrown stuff:



Vagalume Records and Mosaico Records. Both crews are Brazilian and are constantly bringing new psychedelic music to your ears.

Try Catuaba, a wine made of an Amazonian fruit, purportedly aphrodisiac. Drink it with a lot of ice. Police controls, mainly for drunk drivers, have been really intense in the last years, and, expect overall prices to be high.

in the mid 2000's where 30.000 people would come for a one day "strictly Psytrance line up" party (XXXperience from DJs Rica Amaral and Feio), until today's medium sized cosy parties. These cosy Goa Parties can be found from South to North, and still you can find big events (5000+) with Psytrance music, but mixed with other genres in the line up. Some organisations involved in proper Goa events: Soononmoon (Bahia), NuAct (Ceara) and Respect (Sao Paulo).

Festival-wise, it went different. There was and still is a constant growth in the number of people and in the quality of our most beautiful one, Universo Paralello, which happens every 2 years (2013 is time!), New Year's Eve, in Pratigi, Bahia. Brazil's climate is, from a European perspective, an endless summer. So festivals will happen the whole year, mainly during national holidays. Carnival (around February) is time

ted hands working on it. Of course, the well known The 1st Stone, Burn in Noise, Wrecked Machines should be already in your memory. But artists like Logica, Altruism, Patchbay, Shekinah, Xpiral, Waio, Space Vision, Labirinto, 8th Sin and Analog Drink also broke all frontiers in the last years.

Many international labels release Brazili-



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NuAct Fortaleza - [facebook.com/nuactproductions](https://www.facebook.com/nuactproductions)

Blackout Belo Horizonte -
blackouthbz.com.br

WAIO

If you are in Brazil, you should definitely visit Fernando de Noronha. It's an archipelago of 21 islands and islets in the Atlantic Ocean, one of the most beautiful places I have seen with a rich fauna and flora and loads of marine life for those who love scuba diving. That's exactly where all Brazilians would love to live!

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CAMBODIA, MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE



If you are travelling through South East Asia make a stopover in the Thailand's neighbouring countries! They are all beautiful, but the scene is rather small. It is not as underground or full power any more as it used to be a decade ago, but this is actually a global tendency. Still, if you wanna find a good party, you will find one, just dig deeper! :) Occasionally there are parties in Singapore which are fully psychedelic but due to law limitations don't last so long, e.g. at the Home Club.

Malaysia has a small scene as well and this season saw the first 3 day festival near Kuala Lumpur which was nothing but stunning! Organized by Epic Tribe from KL, Belantara was a beautiful family style party in an original location in the middle of the jungle but still easily accessible from Kuala Lumpur. Belantara will take place again in 2014, probably by the end of January! Epic tribe hosts Psytrance nights in Kuala Lumpur as well!

Cambodia has seen some parties already too, the biggest



that the laws regarding drug use are very strict! Be careful, better check your bags twice before you go to a party or hit the road and make sure you don't consume anything in public! Every

country this is no longer the case...still, you can easily find what you are looking for and normally, nobody cares what you inhale or consume. Mushroom Shakes are widely available as well, so are actually all other substances...still, with regard to the law, all of this is illegal, so keep your common sense switched on to fully enjoy these amazing countries!

one being Totally Resurrected Festival which took place for the second time this year near Ko Kong (close to the Thai border) but due to many problems its unlikely it will happen again next year. Still Sihanouville has seen smaller parties since actually 11 years (as some guys from the UK and myself threw a 3 day party for the Khmer New Year) but its actually strange that not more is happening there as the beaches are beautiful, the government flexible and thus the police quite easy going :) I hope that Cambodia and as well Burma will attract some people willing to organise events as both countries have everything a perfect Psytrance party needs! In addition the Meta House in Cambodia's capital Phnom Penh throws smaller events from time to time (funnily supported by the German Goethe Institute!) and Anjuna Villa in Siem Reap is as well the perfect place for smaller parties and for hooking up with your fellow mates. One thing you have to keep in mind is



year dozens of people are busted and the punishment can be quite hard. Not seldom people go behind bars for years just because of small amounts of substances, so be careful: safety first! In Malaysia and Singapore you still have the death sentence for drug trafficking, so once again, better be careful. Cambodia on the other hand has a very relaxed policy regarding especially smoking weed. A decade ago you could even find weed on the local markets but due to the pressure of western



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BMSS Records / Transition / SUN Festival

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Cambodia

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CANADA – It's all about diversity

Trance truly is a global movement and Canada is no exception with pretty much every sub genre well represented from coast to coast. Being such a large and diverse country with a wide variety of styles performers often have the ability to play several different genres depending on where they are playing. The East Coast has more of a European influence whereas the West Coast has its own unique flavour.

With the huge hippie movement that began in the 60's, the vibe has very much spread into West Coast music and culture.

Although there are some notable events in winter, the summer festival season is what the Canadian scene is



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Festival, a 5 day electronic, World Music and cultural event set to make its debut this year at the Whistler Olympic Park in British Columbia. The project has teamed up with IONO Music from Berlin to bring the biggest group of Progressive stars ever in North America to the event. There is also a lineup of World Music planned that will showcase Reggae, Hip Hop and cultural performances with traditional instruments and dancers.

Canada also boasts a healthy club scene where promoters from the east network with the west promoters to split the costs and bring in top international acts that share the stage with local stars. Trance, Techno and House are all main floor genres but also influenced by American Hip Hop culture with glitches and breaks.

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Drug screening:

Yes, police will test people if they look intoxicated.

Preferred music style:

Very wide range of sounds: Psytrance, House, Trance, Dubstep, Glitch, Chill, Techno, Tech House, Progressive House.

Labels to check out:

Interchill, Ektoplasm, Drumlore, Omnitropic, Astronautic Records, Infinity Loop Music

Producers to check out:

Ekoplex, Nuclear Ramjet, Anahata, and many more.

DJs to check out:

Chris Organix, Nokturnal, Yann, Plan B, Mandelbrot, Shankar, Rikam, Basilisk, Jay Michael

Decoration teams:

Tech Safari, Kaeli Starfield

Fun activities beyond the dance floors:

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all about. Some festivals are dedicated to Trance and some cross over with other electronic styles on alternate floors, but with no particular vibe dominating the scene, you will find a mix of full on Psytrance, Progressive Psy, Breaks and Chill mixed in with funky Canadian Bass music.

Montreal's Eclipse festival, Motion Notion in Alberta, Entheos, Karma, Diversity, and Shambhala are all well established festivals that embrace Trance culture. One of the most exciting events in the 2013 line-up is Believe Freedom



CROATIA – Preserved magic



Croatia is the place if you are looking for underground. A country with beautiful nature, a magnificent coastline and a rich cultural heritage. Located in Central and Southeastern Europe, this small country is home of friendly people and real Trance vibes. The beginnings of Psytrance culture can be traced back to the mid 90s when DJs Marino and Space Lilly were considered true originators of the local scene.



Towards the end of millennium the launch of the Astralis club event became the single most visited Trance happening in the late 90s. Consequently, a group of young followers joined forces and worked on producing smaller and more underground vibed events, putting a mark on the upcoming decade of the psychedelic scene in the cities of Pula and Zagreb, two major spots for Trance in Croatia.

The '00s saw parties like Tribalizer by Attack crew, Spin Cycles and Gotcha by Substructure

Media, and open air events in woods by Soundforms. Laying the foundations for true underground gatherings in Zagreb. The scene in Pula was led by Marino and Mars Room, the group responsible for the long-running festival Future Nature. Musical projects such as Mokk, Shuma, Vox and Parcket were created, people started to connect via Trancepleme website and the biggest festival of that time was organised: Underwater Overground. Around 2005 the scene receded a bit but

friends and have no commercial intention.

The quality of most national djs is excellent and the music ranges from Progressive Psy to Night Psytrance/Fullon. You can forget about commercial sounds, big names, offbeat bass lines etc. Oldschool Goa sound can be also found on some annual or thematic gatherings. Probably all important international artists are playing here.

The festivals are held mainly in Pula, Life Celebration and Future Nature in a beautiful, old Austro-Hungarian fortress by the sea - already hotspots on the world map of psychedelic events. Further summer festivals worth mentioning are the 2nd Momento Demento and Lost Theory with its 3rd edition this year. Besides music, there are high quality video artists, performers and deco teams. There are no special music shops for Psy culture. The average ticket price is 4-7 EUR, drinks are 2-4 EUR, and the drug policy is strict. Though, in 2013 the possession of cannabis will be decriminalised. If you are around, drop by.



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after a short dry period new energy has been brought by Ministarstvo Psihodelije. Since then, new organisers started to appear, the crews from cities Osijek, Rijeka and Knin joined, the scene was back to full power. Parties are held in clubs, abandoned buildings, river channels, woods, under the bridges and most of them are illegal.

Nowadays, there are new djs and producers, while old and new promoters collaborate more.

Here's what you should know if you're looking for Trance events in Croatia: during the summer, outdoor parties in Zagreb are held in the woods and meadows. Many of them are organised by groups of

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DENMARK – A whole lot of Trance going on

In the last two years a lot has happened in the Danish Trance scene, from having only a few organisers to having more than you could follow up on; from being on the Isra-Fullon wave to following up on the massive Offbeat arm raising vibes. With that said, Denmark loves Progressive Offbeat. It is surely the most wanted style. But, of course, Denmark is open for anything from Progressive to Techno, Fullon, Psytrance, Darkpsy & Forrest. It all depends on where you are in the country.

Our best & biggest known parties are Tam Tam, Area 55, Psy Olympics, Global Freaks, Scientific Sequence, Psysociety, Luxudelic, Rowdy & Magical PsyTrance. The most important

In Denmark the police has always controlled parties, sometimes more, sometimes less.

When the media is shedding more light on the scene, they come more often. Occasionally

parties have been shut down by them, yto make an example,

it seems to me. But usually they just come

for general checking. Regarding

drug screening and traffic controls

after parties, I have never been

of the city. They have everything from their own kindergarden, bike store, tattoo artists, clothing shops to their own bars and cafés. A nice day could be spent in Café Nemoland, with a free open air concert every Sunday during the summer. So if you like to sit in the sun, relax while playing backgammon, and seeing something you won't any place else in the world, CHRISTIANIA is a must.

There is a lot going on in Denmark in 2013. Look out for upcoming artists, albums, eps & djs going strong and playing hard. Bomb after bomb line ups. Like Iboga's label



label is clearly Iboga

Records with Progressive, House and Techno. And Parvati Records is one of the biggest labels in the world when it comes to Darkpsy & Forrest. The most important producers and djs are Emok (Phony Orphants), Flowjob, Banel (Behind Blue Eyes), Phaxe, Vice, Morten Granau, Time In Motion, Jahbo, Onkel Dunkel, PrOfane (Multiphase), Tenka, Joel, Momtaz, Mr. Vikkelsø & Trausel. There are not that many deco teams but the best known and biggest is Bohemian Grove & Ambient Technology.

The parties usually start at 22:00/23:00 and close at 06:00. That goes for the whole country. I have not seen many events that last longer, unless it's underground parties, of which there are a lot. The average entry fee for a small party is 20 EUR, for a medium party 30 EUR or 40 EUR, for a big party up to 60 EUR. The average price for a beer and a water at a party are 4/6 EUR and 3/4 EUR respectively.

tested, or stopped in a car going in or leaving, at any event.

Neither have I even heard about a anyone who has been tested by the police after an event. Though I have read

in the media and heard from friends as well, that they use sweat-sticks in mainstream clubs sometimes.

If you go to Denmark, go to Christiania.

Not just for the feeling of being free and smoking a joint in the open. But to see a totally different way of life in the middle



party in May, and Area 55 with at least four events planned so far.



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FINNLAND – Sparsely populated, heavily tranced

Sparsely populated, but heavily tranced, Finland is literally, rising – due the post-glacial rebound. Featuring an amazing 190,000 lakes and 180,000 islands Finland's events are a truly singular experience. At underground events you can listen to all the different kinds of psychedelic Trance music and djs. Finnish parties will usually start at 21 or 22 hrs, while most clubs will close at 4:00 am.

But, naturally, there is a flourishing after party culture, which traditionally guarantees a continuance of partying between 5 and 10 am. In general, at the door, entry is from 5 to 15 Euros, depending on the event, of course, and open airs are way more expensive, starting at 25/35 Euros. Music-wise big events seem to prefer slower bpm's, between 140 to 148, ranging from Proggy to Fullon and also some soft Forest Psy. Two characteristic features of Finland's Psy culture are firstly, the quality of audio and secondly, decoration. Whereas the line ups host very popular names indeed, many from our neighbour Russia, our Finnish djs as Tim Duster, Shishya (both Sun Station Records), Avara

(Blue Hour Sounds), Turbulence (Purple Hexagon), Kolibriscope Confabulus (previously known as Noitarumpu), Zen Agent, Polly & Miazu, Nebula Meltedown (Suntrip Rec), Inkeri Tahti, Terva, and Shatter Sound also jockey the discs well, even internationally. Known Finnish producers are Rye Smugglers, Soladria, Lunar Vegetarian, Vertical, Dreadlock tales, Haltya, Troll Scientists, Texas Faggott, Squaremeat, Salakavala, Calamar Audio, Luomuhappo, Evocatone, Noitarumpu/Confabulus, Crystal Cris, Kiwa, Mandalavandalz, Vishnudata. Interesting decoration teams are Flowers Of Life, Vesa Peltonen, Havainto, and Luovius.

Still, it has to be said, that at many events, at any hour the music sounds very similar. However, all of them issue good energy. Also, people are organised and really helpful, and normally friendly, as well. Not just because they are interested in creating a good vibe on the dance floor.

Mainly the Psytrance events are based in Helsinki and Tampere which is also the base for the main party and festival promo-



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ters as Futuristics, People of Butterflies, Aura, 7th Heaven Lab AURA Collective, Sywa Ry, Wider Visions, and Juho Helle (Existence Festival). Finnish labels are Exogenic Records (Finnish mainstream Psytrance), Freakdance Records (Progressive) and Antiscarp Records (Progressive).

It is possible to find 1 or 2 events per month. In the capital Helsinki, the main club for the winter season is called Venue (clubvenue.fi). The two best known Open Air Psytrance events are Existence Festival in July and Rebirth Festival in June (rebirthry@gmail.com). While Existence has a popular line up and promises a good visual show, Rebirth has more diverse kinds of Psy music. Apart from that many other events are mixing Psytrance with other genres of electronic music. klubitus.org is a good option to see all upcoming events, structured per date and style - also the site is in English.



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FRANCE – Trance growing like mushrooms

The most visited country in the world, France, this year also features Europe's cultural capital: Marseille. What is the place of Trance in the music industry? Trance is growing like mushrooms. Many Trance organisations have been created over the years but the old timers are still swinging as Mandala, Gaia Concept, World People and Hadra. The music that can be heard is mostly Psytrance, Progressive, FullOn, morning, dark, ambient, downtempo, dub, break beat.

The parties usually start at ten p.m. and end at seven a.m. Price of small parties can start as low as five euros to twelve and the larger one will fetch a fee of twenty to twenty five euros. Pre-sales ticket can be bought on the Internet but also from big outlet stores like the Fnac, Carrefour, or specialised stores such as Techno Import (music store in Paris).

The major festivals are the World People's festival, the Freak festival and Hadra. In order to get the latest agenda on festivals or parties surf on Trance-Goa forum, Goabase and/or also the French part of the German Psychedelic traveller magazine where you can also get info on the French and international scene.

There has been many police interruptions of parties and cancellations during the last

presidential administration. Usually, the prefecture issues a permit for the party or the festival. After the order has been delivered, the police decides the drug and alcohol reinforcement that will be needed in and outside the event. The Trance community has understood what is at stake in leaving a place spot free and adjusting the music volume at certain hours.



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POINTS OF INTEREST

Organisations:

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Producers:

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Tikal, D-Sens, Secret vibes, Sysyphe, Shotu, Polaris, Toires, Ecosphere, C.S.X, MOX, Terraformers, Atyss, Otezuka....

DJs:

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Deco teams:

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My favourite, typical French food is Tartiflette! Potatoes, lardon, onions, reblochon cheese, double cream and a bottle of Apremont (white wine from Savoy) - wine will definitely be the typical french drink! And as a digestive spirit you may never forget the Chartreuse, an herbal liqueur produced by Carthusian monks in the French alps since 1605, it's also called the „Elixir of Long Life“ ! (Moderate consumption though)
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NORTH-GERMANY – Offbeat heaven

Progressive is king! There are numerous superbly organised parties and coalitions of organisers, unfortunately also some weekends when you have 7 parallel parties, which is a shame. The whole North boasts countless organisers for Progressive, but also some who hold up the psychedelic flag, even for friends of Dark or Oldschool (like me). There are great events sometimes, but that one Tristan plays on the 2nd floor while Hamburg dances to Offbeat leaves me speechless. Special mention goes to the Juice Club in Hamburg which next to the Atisha is the longest-serving location and now also has several floors.

You have big events as the Conception, Intact Expanda, Gemischwaren, Magic Dreams, Psy Spirits, and Spirit of Moksha which have gained wide popularity as well. Not to forget the Question of Time, Freigeister, Error 404 and numerous other organisers which go unmentioned here because it would go beyond the scope of this report.

In the vicinity of Hamburg Trance



is happening: in Kiel, there is Johann who in alternation with Baum and his Klangkontakt

Team entertains the Pumpe, in Lübeck, the Riders Cafe and the Traumwelten Crew, in Lüneburg, the Garage gets blasted with Goa, and in Bremen things are happening too, so I m told. Somewhat more in the West you will encounter the Waldfrieden, presenting large and small events at a beautiful forest like the Wonderland festival. In Schwerin, the Gerberei has closed, after 19 years a big loss for the scene there, but

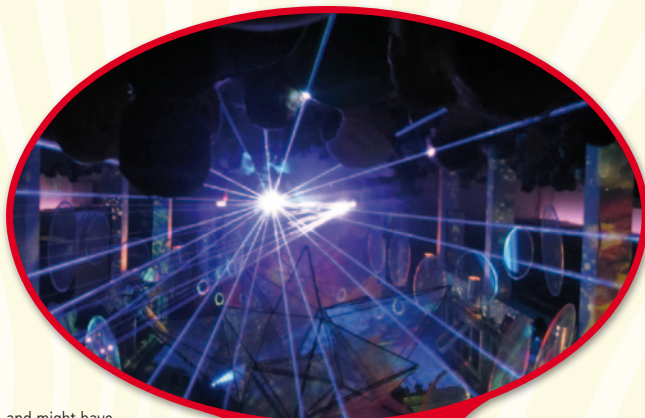
in Woebbelin, you still have the Fabrik, being used splendidly by several organisers. In Berlin, you can party the entire week long if you are not absolutely focussed on Goa. Important are the Mystic Rose parties and the Magdalena, e.g. the November ritual and other nice possibilities, and not to forget the Odyssee, probably the biggest indoor new year festival in Germany. Sadly enough I am not as often in Berlin

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and might have forgotten important organisers ;)

Yes, the famous Go A 24, the epicentre of the German OA scene thrives: though there will be no Vuuv this year, it is good to know the Antaris is still with us, the last old festivals which has maintained its spirit. After the financial disaster of last year I am anxious about this year's Spiritual Healing. The "Pizza connection" (DJ Syncron and the Wötanovski brothers + Hannes Spintwist) apart from the Psy Circus and the Indian Spirit, which they organise will commonly revive the Tshitrika OA this year and I am really looking forward to it. Last not least, the Fullmoon team of the firmly established Freqs of Nature festival. Moreover, you



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have many smaller and bigger festivals, appearing and disappearing as fast as mushrooms.



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SOUTH-GERMANY – Still underground

It all started back in the mid-90s: Influenced by the first full moon gatherings in Switzerland, promoters such as Legende or Druidenzirkel started the Goa Trance movement in the South. DJs like Cosmix or Matthias were among the first ones who gained international reputation, uniting Trancers throughout the region. Munich became an international centre of the movement in the mid-90s when Natraj Temple, South Germany's first Psytrance club, opened.

This was the place where SchmoX family was founded, nowadays one of the biggest promoters and deco teams in the South. Around Stuttgart, the Goa Noah open airs used to be the biggest back in the days, as well as the Gathering of the Tribes in Frankfurt. Also there were countless underground events in the Black Forest, in caves or on the hills of the Allgäu, around the lake of Constance or in old castles around Heidelberg.

Nowadays, the scene is blossoming with dozens of parties every weekend, from Psytrance to Progressive to Dark and Forest. The change of the government in Baden Württemberg last year ended the decades of conservative policy and brought the green party to power, the situation for parties is changing towards the positive. The hotspots are Stuttgart, Heidelberg and Mannheim, the Bodensee region with Konstanz or Ravensburg and Freiburg, Munich in Bavaria and Marburg, Frankfurt or Darmstadt in Hessen. Promoter-wise, SchmoX Family, Headroom, I.B.W. and Alice D in Munich, BMSS, Jesus Raves and MTA in Baden Württemberg or Marburg Virus or Bohemica in Hessen are the ones throwing the most respected events in the South. The Kannibalenmassaker is one of the best known festivals in Bavaria, combining Trance with World and Alternative Music:



Something very special to check out in the summer! Alice in Wummerland in Mannheim is becoming one of the biggest parties throughout the year and SchmoX is still a guarantee for massive productions and party.

Label-wise, BMSS and Sangoma Records as well as Headroom are on the forefront of releasing music. Regarding producers, Meller, Atma, Frechbax, Zeamon, Sonic Tickle or Synaptic are globally known, but there is no South-German Sound yet such as e.g. Hamburg with its offbeat sound. There is a big Psytrance output via DJs such as Daksinamurti, Boom Shankar, Alexsoph or Sgary, and Marco Scherer, Fohat, Cosmix, Maximus, Okin Shah or Anam Fio are well known for their Progressive sound. There is also a big Dark community clustered around Marburg with Astronom and Paratox or around Munich with Joshi, Mutaro or P-Shock. Regarding decorations, SchmoX, Jamas, RaDka, The Brain or Ari from Legende are heavily booked throughout the year and VJs such as Juladi or Sumishii Aran are quite active.

The legal situation regarding drugs is still very strict, so make sure you don't drive under the influence of any substance as controls before and after parties are very common. The police has the right to make sweat tests if they have any doubts you might be sober, so watch out! In clubs, security usually checks for age and for any illegal substances. It seems that a more liberal policy towards alternative cultures

is finally coming: It was about time! In case you haven't been partying in South Germany - now is the time! The landscapes is astonishing, the climate very warm, the families united and our food (and the beer!) is supayummy, as well! See you!



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GREECE – Entering a new and promising era

Since 1991–92, Psytrance has always been around. The golden years were those of the Samothraki Dance Festival, from 2001–2003, when over 30.000 people, from 80+ nationalities gathered on Samothraki island and left a mark in the global psychedelic community. After that only few festivals managed to get international recognition. Surely Butterfly Festival (2005–2007) and Aurora Festival (2008–2012) were two of them.

Since 2010 Greece has entered a new era of Trance. In Athens & Thessaloniki parties are getting bigger, better organised despite the crisis, with festivals also going much better. Third generation promoters are active in an urban club environment. Of course, Harmonia Records and Natural High continue throwing parties in Athens, on a monthly or bi-monthly basis with great success and international guests.

Amorphia came back in 2010, 10 years after their last party. Organising some of the biggest events at the moment, they present classic & headlining artists but also many

Samothraki Dance Festival. They offer services with regard to production, promotion, sales. A new and very important label is Sonic Loom Records, a collective network of artists created in 2011 with artists as Orestis, Zik, Kulu, Dark Elf, Ordo Ab Chao.

The newest and most promising festival is Free Earth Festival, running for the first time this June. It is a joint venture of Amorphia & Vortex Trance Adventures who have done parties in Cape Town/South Africa for the last 20 years.

Usually parties start before midnight and end early between 08.00-09.00, with morning trancers always being disappointed. Police is much more relaxed these days. Greek authorities have realised that enforcing wrong policies won't take them anywhere, but kicks tourism out of their country. There are no police checks or traffic controls after festivals or parties, also no drug screening.

The sounds played nowadays is mostly Fulon & Forest, at Thessaloniki it is Progressive.

Some of the most important artists and djs are (in random order): Doc, Orestis, Archaic, Rideen, Converter Zik, Kulu, Dr Sammy, Ordo Ab Chao, Dark elf, Full Face, Hi Profile, Krama, Mindphaser, Teo, and Spiros Wom. The best deco teams of Greece are BOTN based in Thessaloniki and Nikoxil based in Athens.

The trancer from Greece generally knows everything about Trance and is someone you cannot debate with, so be careful! That's a problem we have, we know everything and we can't work with each other, I guess that is because of our history!



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POINTS OF INTEREST

Amorphia Shop, Athens

➤ amorphia.gr

Crop Circles, clothes shop, Athens

➤ cropcircle.gr

Flying Agaric, clothes shop, Athens

➤ flyingagaric.com

No More, clothes & head shop, Thessaloniki

➤ no-more.gr

Psyshop Druid, clothes, Larisa

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Amorphia Radio, Athens

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Travellers Magazine

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Freeze Magazine freezemagazinegreece.wordpress.com

Sonic Loom Records

➤ sonic-loom.com

Harmonia Records

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Dance Xperience Festival

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Free Earth Festival

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new talents and upcoming djs, while also going for massive decoration, inviting Flow-ers of Life, Vortex, BOTN and others!

IT Record shop in Athens, publisher of Freeze Magazine, the only electronic music magazine of Greece since 2000, regularly organises dedicated ambient experimental and Chillout music parties. They present artists as Gaudi, Solar Fields, Aes Dana.

In 2010 the first Psytrance oriented, international promotion and booking agency, Akida Promo, was formed by organisers of



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HUNGARY – Trance, Nature & Palinka

It wasn't until the 1999 Solipse that Hungary really became the focus point of the international psychedelic community thus giving confidence to a whole new generation of promoters, musicians, DJs, and people generally in love with psychedelic culture to be more involved. Para Halu started producing ten years ago and is now running his own label PsyLife Records, releasing his 6th album in 2013.

Kalumet, aka Trevor McGregor and Ork Monk, has been creating almost everything from Trance to Dub since the 90s. Insector gained himself worldwide recognition amongst Dark Psy fans and Progressive lovers got someone to be proud of as well: Chromatic released their debut EP on Aerospace's label Digital Nature last year. Legendary DJ Oleg along with two of the other great talents of this country, Tsubi and Gorgo, have been on tour lately playing at the mighty Boom Festival in Portugal and Rebirth of the Sun in Israel last year.

The rise of O.Z.O.R.A. Festival forever changed

ic Garden" exhibitions, lectures and performances with guest speakers from all over the world. From May to September the Hungarian countryside is full of hidden places perfectly suitable for friendly open air gatherings. Like for instance the 7 year old Bakony festival held by a breathtaking lake in the woods, the Deeprog gathering, 4.49 festival or X-Files Camp, the first weekend-long gathering of Y-Production. Last but not least there is another highly anticipated event: The first S.U.N. Festival is created by the organizers that left Ozora in 2011 and



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the view on Hungary and made this country a really hot destination for psychedelic travelers.

O.Z.O.R.A. now welcomes an average of twenty thousand international freaks and hosts not only a massive dance floor but in its "Mag-

PARA HALU

Did you know, that Hungary's ten million citizens speak a crazy language called Hungarian, which is not spoken anywhere else but in this little country in the whole wide world? There are open questions about its origin (we have some common words with the Finnish for example), but it's one of the most difficult languages to learn on this planet, right after Mandarin.

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have joined forces with many tribes from around the globe. S.U.N. festival hosts an impressive

international psychedelic line up along with an amazing selection of Ambient artist rarely seen in one event .The S.U.N. festival also brings revolutionary new ideas to the table such as their unique fan-based voting that allows the ticket holders to shape the festival's line up. S.U.N. promises to give the world yet another Hungarian festival that no doubt will reach great heights.

After open air parties in summer it is quite usual

to have traffic controls nearby so drunk driving is never a good idea. Drug tests are not in use at parties yet, and club parties are much safer than underground open airs but the Hungarian laws are very strict, so basically even smoking a joint can get you in heaps of trouble. Before or after festivals one should definitely try to relax in one of the famous Hungarian hot spas, especially the ones open until late at night with their outdoor pools. It's also worth getting a taste of the famous "ruin pub" culture and grab a beer in one of the cozy pubs created in courtyards of old, abandoned buildings in Budapest, like Szimpla or Tundergyar – and don't forget to try the palinka (Hungary's speciality, a strong fruit brandy), which is the one that makes you an instant "Hungarian" and a friend for life!

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 Tom Real UK
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 Switchofskij Improvisation
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 Baba Zula TR
 Gáyan Uttejak Orchestra Limited:
 Guo Vadis? – The Last Tour
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 Konono N°1 CG
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 Rising Appalachia US
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ITALY – new connections and collaborations

It can be stated that the Psytrance scene in Italy owes its origins to Goahead, because this was the first real organising group at national level and it was born in 1995. During a few months Goahead was able to organise the first full moon Goa-Trance party, the result being that over 2000 people happily gathered. The most representative dj of the crew was DJ Piero (from Bologna) who still is around today and does his best with some new collaborators to maintain the right balance of the old idea that about 20 years ago gave birth to everything.

Yet, the Trance movement in Italy has undergone a significant change over the past few years. On the one hand, some historic crews have stopped organising events, and, on the other, some newborn crews have appeared. However, many of the new groups are just wanna-be Psytrance Tribes, as they unfortunately do not share the same basic values that the movement has been transmitting since the very first day.

Despite such an unpleasant generation change it must be

said that some

crews, and above all the historic ones that have periodically kept on

organising

events, have always

stood out for high quality

and ideology levels. By doing so, they

have always allowed Italian Trance followers to take part in good-quality events, both in terms of live and international djs and in terms of decos and locations.

Some of these good-quality crews are Quarion, NAC, Different Reality, Goa-SoundProj., MonkeySexPlosion, Evolution, FreeSpirit, Off Label, Believe, PsyFly, MK, and Antrance.

As far as the best events are concerned, we must surely mention Roenaisance, Sonica, Black Moon, Summer Celebration and Goaland. Such events have taken place in the past few years and will be organised again (some even in the summer 2013).

With regard to the best deco-teams, these are Hydrosphere, Magnetic Spirit, CrushIn-Goa and Neurosys.

The labels promoting the best artists and music are Neurobiotic, LooneyMoon, Pixan, Veleno, MMH and BlueHourSound. Moreover, there are also several producers and djs who have released tracks on some of the well-known labels of the international



Progressive scene.

Absolutely worth mentioning is also the fact that in Italy, in the past few days, some historic tribes and new ones have started

that the original values once were known by few hundreds of people and now they are known by several thousands, North to South.



an interesting connection and collaboration with each other. They are going to reform and to present again the original spirit thanks to which the Trance scene was renowned in the beginning. One such collaboration is called Goa Sunrise and its aim is to underline the idea of a new beginning and rebirth of the Italian Trance movement.

Nowadays, in spite of the increasing loss of the basic values of the movement, the national Trance scene has met great consensus. Many years ago the "purest" parties used to take place once or twice a month, whereas today there are about 5-6 parties every weekend. This means



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INDIA – a new wave in the cradle

The seed of a new wave of Indian Psytrance seems to germinate judging by the events and vibe of this season. Following the superior standards set in previous terms by revolutionary labels like Omveda and Temple Twister Records (each of whom released compilations of Darkpsy music this year), Serraphanaa Records, founded by Daash aka Za7zay, appeared on the scene with a belter of a debut album, *Back to the Beast*.

The hi-tech and Psycore patrons had plenty of supply too, with Sonic Tantra Records releasing a lot of material. Things are looking quirkily bright for the Progressive side of the equation as well with Occulta Records (perhaps one of the more underrated and underground labels) unleashing its fourth compilation and Audio Ashram with its compilation *Isomorphic Soup*, filled with chunky night time Progressive.

After two highly acclaimed, successful releases and promoting and participating in gigs with tantalizing line ups on different parts of the globe such as Bangalore, Goa, Malaysia, Sri Lanka, UK, Dubai etc., Vantara Vichitra Records have done an impeccable job in promoting the forest style of Psytrance in India. Their décor and designs are also being sought by the leading promoters and organisers of the country. The forest subgenre has been a recent inspiration for some of the experienced Indian producers who have migrated from other styles. White Wizard and Hydropanik (who now produce under the moniker of Lab Rats) are apt examples. There has also been new talent emerging in the scene. The BubbleGuns project has built a solid reputation



with its first few releases. Dar Kapo is another project worth keeping an ear out for. Goa saw an upsurge in the variety and number of events. VVR closed off a whopping double tour with Petran (UK) and Koala (Taiwan), with a stupendous gig in Goa, in collaboration with Parvati Records. But Goa isn't the only place frequently hosting

Psytrance events, like in the past. Most producers visiting on tours now regularly make the Delhi-Bombay-Bangalore circuit. Pune is starting to emerge as an important Psytrance hub

as well. Karma Digital crew and Binary Tree Entertainment were responsible in bringing a variety of producers touring in India, to their city. Binary Tree enabled Finnish funkmaster Vertical to perform in Kolkata. The Audio Ashram collective in Delhi has also been involved in some pioneering work within the realms of

alternative ambient music and path-breaking events featuring different styles of music on their platform. The mountains in Himachal Pradesh and Nepal are becoming favourite summer party spots, especially for festivals, but the culture of open air festivals is still in its evolutionary phase in India.

With exciting releases in the pipeline such as a *Gidra* ep, possibly a *Silent Horror* ep, the delayed Agarthia Records split album, and loads of other releases by the artists mentioned already, along with Fuzulu, Flipknot, Vaeya and many more, the coming season looks all set to blast off!



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White Wizard

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Lab Rats

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BubbleGuns

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Dar Kapo

➤ soundcloud.com/darkapo

Gidra

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Silent Horror

➤ soundcloud.com/shunya-silent_horror

Fuzulu

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Flipknot

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Vaeya

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Omveda Records

➤ omvedarecords.bandcamp.com

Temple Twister Records

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Serraphanaa Records

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Sonic Tantra

➤ sonictantra.com

Occulta Records

➤ occultarecords.com

Audio Ashram

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Vantara Vichitra Records

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POINTS OF INTEREST

City party circuit in clubs/disco-theques/lounge bars:

Delhi, Bombay, Bangalore, Pune, Chennai, Kolkata, Hyderabad.

Outdoor events/festivals/scope for private events:

Goa, Parvati Valley (Himachal Pradesh), Wayanad (Kerala), Kodaikanal & Mahabalipuram (Tamil Nadu).

IRELAND – a perfect backdrop for psychedelic



Ireland is a beautiful country steeped in history and mysticism, this rich tapestry is the perfect backdrop for psychedelic Trance which has flourished in recent years. The relatively small population of 4 million people provides a close knit but welcoming community united in a shared passion for the music. Licensing laws in Ireland which only permit club nights to run until 3 a.m. have helped drive the dance music scene underground to after parties and mini-festivals where you can enjoy artists as varied as Hux Flux, Audiomatic, Psymetrix or Guiseppe playing well beyond the curfew. Dublin would be a great place to start a musical tour of Ireland; promoters such as Neutronyx, PT Connection and SPUD have built solid reputations in the capital city and hold regular world class events featuring top local and international talents.

A trip down south is not complete without an EARTHSTAR GATHERING party which holds monthly club residencies as well as some of the best open air events on offer anywhere in the country. Moving across to the west of Ireland: the PLANT kru have really pushed the envelope in terms of bespoke production (one such party transformed a medieval castle into a psychedelic playground). The TONGUE ON THE ROOF team take care of business in and around Northern Ireland with legal and semi-legal parties that are incredibly popular with djs, fans and punters alike. All this fertile ground has produced and nurtured some great talents, who through the „global village“ lifestyle have been drawn to and settled in Ireland.

Vic Triplag (Triplag Music) DJ Squee (Nutek Records) and Shore Bar Axle (Synchronizer Records) are

VIC TRIPLAG

There are many places to visit in Ireland, one of them is the Newgrange Ancient Temple. Constructed over 5000 years ago it is older than Stonehenge in England and the Great Pyramid of Giza in Egypt. It is famous for the Winter Solstice illumination which lights up the passage and chamber at sunrise.

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just a few of the globally recognised artists who currently call the Emerald Isle home. Subsystem Records is another Irish success story with an international flavour, founded in 2010 the label has enjoyed success through a string of releases by well respected artists such as Rinkadink, Breathead and most recently Gaspard, who

heavily on tourism and although in the past it would have been considered an expensive destination by world standards, nowadays there are real bargains to be found in flights and accommodation. Geographically it is a rather small nation with excellent transport links throughout. The climate can be temperamental, and it is not unusual to experience four seasons in one day, but as Bob Marley once said; “some people feel the rain, others just get wet.” With a well deserved reputation for hospitality, some truly spectacular scenery and a rich cultural



together with Ajja comprise Yabyum, a name synonymous with quality psychedelic music. The highlight of the Psytrance calendar is a

3 day festival hosted by Zefer and the Neutronyx kru, LIFE FESTIVAL has enjoyed 7 mind blowing years and continues to go from strength to strength through a commitment to forward thinking music and attention to production detail. The Irish economy relies

heritage, Ireland is an amazing country to visit and well worth the trip.



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ISRAEL – alive and kicking

Psychedelic Trance is a big thing in Israel, very big! Sometimes it seems like everybody loves it. From Taxi drivers to soldiers, from 50-year-old ravers to kids too young to have an ID, everyone is listening to the once underground music. Which nowadays is a well-accepted genre in Israel, one which has come far compared to the "hard days" in the 90's when it was branded as something very bad both by the police and the press. Artists like Infected Mushroom, Skazi and even relatively new ones like Ace Ventura and Captain Hook have managed to push Psychedelic Trance into mainstream (television, press, big sponsored events and clubs). But mainstream attention didn't mean the death of the Psy underground scene.

New promoters sprout constantly to organise small and truly underground nature parties around the country. Some are promoted and some only use word of mouth advertising. Some won't even charge you an entrance fee at the "door" but will walk around with a hat later, for you to decide how much you put in it. Driving down south to the desert or heading up to the green north will lead you to some fun times. The spirit is still here, alive and kicking! In the last few years some of those smaller productions have grown big while showing impressive production values (such as Groove Attack, Hasamba and a few more).

since the banging kick and bass are popular in clubs. Whether it is in the "Block" or the "Comfort 13", Tel Aviv always has at least one Psytrance party almost every night of

won't have to look far until you find the next place to dance to some Psy.

Sure, there are many types of Psychedelic Trance lovers, but each one can find a spot



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the week (other major cities also have regular PsyTrance events in clubs such as the "Baraka" in Beer Sheva and the "Esso" in Rishon Le Zion).

An international producer is not

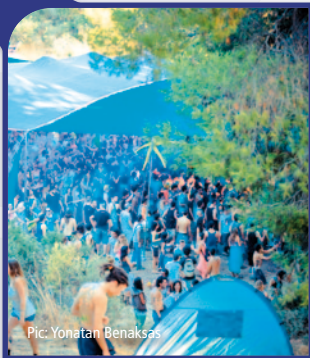
in Israel with so many types of events here. Small ones with no promotion to big ones that promote massively to sell you an experience with the highest standards.

I enjoy them both.



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BLISS

Together with veteran productions like Moksha ("Indigo Festival"), TFN and Doof ("Doof Festival") the stream of international artists brought here to showcase their music on high quality, line arrayed sound systems is ever flowing. Raja Ram recently posted on Facebook about the Moksha Purim Gathering: "Perhaps the greatest event in my life [excluding Ozora] beyond words... Over 10.000 happy people in fancy dress... smiles and color...incredible sound...it was a BLAST...Another 2000 pushed the fence in and came in...what a festival...A zillion thanks to Israel and all concerned to make this a benchmark...and a supreme moment in the TIP story so far." Most of the international artists that come here gain an extra gig or two in the middle of the week



Pic: Yonatan Benaksas

always needed since Israel has always had an almost mass production like array of quality Psytrance producers. With so many producers (I really feel its pointless giving a list here) that have emerged from here you

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Sonic Booking – Artist Management:

- sonicbooking.com

Festival:

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NEPAL – huge progress in the community



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Nepal has been on the backpacker's list since the early sixties constantly, a place that offers a little bit of everything for everyone. This Himalayan bound mystic nation is a dream destination for all kinds of travellers, boasting a rich heritage and colourful lively culture, snowcapped peaks, spiritual history and vibrant people.

Goa Trance came to Nepal in the 90's. It was brought by the freaks who came from Goa to visit Nepal or who came for their Indian visa



There are two Trance music producers in Nepal. Aseem who produces twilight and Chill and will also perform in Finland, Latvia, Switzerland and Germany this summer, Thailand and Australia in winter and

Smoking Shiva who does Forest sounds. Popular Trance djs are Kranti, Vibe, Nishan and Mantra drops.

Most of the decoration is from Hatti Baba's back drop collection. For big festivals, usually international deco

its natural beauty. Trekking around Mt. Everest, Annapurna, Helembu and Lantang are a life time experience. The Langtang trek is a much cheaper trek than Annapurna and Everest treks and equally beautiful. There are new trekking routes open in eastern and western Nepal, which are very remote and untouched by any kind of commercial enterprise.



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extension. It started with small gatherings in the mountains and regular full moon parties in Pokhara organized by Hatti Baba (Swiss man who is single handedly responsible for promoting Trance here).

In the 90s till 2000 the Goa scene was quite big, but the civil war that raged from 2000-2006, almost destroyed the Trance scene and the spirit. After, Trance got its life back again. In 2007 Shanti Jatra festival was a big success and continued until 2011.

Then, Universal Religion festival became the most successful festival in Nepal. Despite the media and government denouncing it, the organisers sustained in organising it. The festival attracts thousands of people from all over the world. This year Universal religion will be held in a historic and beautiful mountain town called Bandipur, April, 26-29.

In last five years there has been huge progress in the Psytrance community. Especially attracting foreigners from Goa, rich kids from India and the Middle East to festivals and underground parties. Also the sound systems and decorations are comparatively much better than 6 years ago.

Most of the underground parties are organised by travellers themselves during October and April in Pokhara. There have been some scams, where they collected money and did not provide transportation, djs, live acts and facilities as promised, so travellers have to be careful.



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artists are invited. Carin Dickson from art escape, South Africa has been very popular since 2008, and has been decorating almost all the big festivals. Mandala beats from Thamel do decorations as well. Most Trance fashion clothes are made in Nepal too.

Beer is heavily taxed and generally expensive but travellers do come for smoking not for beer anyway.

Apart from parties, Nepal is popular for

OTHER FUN ACTIVITIES

Go trekking around Everest Annapurna, see historic sites in Kathmandu, be lazy in Pokhara, enjoy getting stoned.

POINTS OF INTEREST

Whole Thamel (tourist area in Kathmandu) looks like a Trance market

WEBSITES

- urnepal.com/
- trance-trip.com/
- kathmanduclothing.com/en/



THE NETHERLANDS – morphing and picking up

Psytrance in The Netherlands has been morphing itself through the years. From underground squats to clubs, the scene moves around, following places and organisations that make it possible to be enjoyed.

Initiated in clubs, Psytrance moved to squats in the 90's where it survived over the millennium, to then move back to clubs and outdoor free parties when squats became illegal. Being forced to legalise, organisations tried recreating the initial spirit, when key clubs in the heart of Amsterdam led the movement, but as trancers became associated with lower bar consumption and less income for clubs, it became difficult to find venues willing to host Psytrance events. In Amsterdam, this resulted in fewer parties, but the spirit has been kept alive by the

The closing time is usually early in The Netherlands, but soon a few clubs will be allowed to open for 24 hours, so in the future we may see options for longer Psytrance nights.

Creatively is where things are picking up with more producers releasing music and others on the way! While Bionic, Harmonic Frequency, Odr and Super-groover are fresh names, established artists like Jocid, Liftshift, Rev, Whirrk and Zen Mechanics are putting Holland on the Psychedelic world map.

In the dj arena, Holland has plenty and some djs you can hear spinning are Ainur, Anand, Anavox, Annunaki, Back to Mars, Backflash, Bart, Cosmic High, Darzid, Dogo, Dr. Vinni, EDS, Fluffy, Fluofreax, Gnome, Gopa, Hanuman, Hikuri, Ions, Iris, Jiggi Jiamont, Kalanarmada, LSDave, ManDraQ, McManus, Mart Fader, Marvyn, Mystika, Nilezz, Oczean, Paul B, Pim, Polo, Polzitiv, Psy Clone, Psylatino, Psychonotik, Resi, Riches, Rob, Roland, Saaf, Satyr, Shagge-delic, Shawnode, Tila, Wichuri and Zen.

Parties are often well decorated by deco teams like A Thousand Errors, Anahata Project, Chi Deco, DAF, Rorschach&Rorschach, Spiral Spectrum, Vaya Con Dia's and you can always find good photos online at The Hos Pages.

And if in Amsterdam, make sure to visit the Kokopelli and Siberie for legal highs!



Pic: The Hos Pages

Tranceorient Express and Solstice Festival in the Ruigoord, the DAF, Shangri La and Equinox parties. Also Transcending at the Korsakoff is a main location where everybody meets weekly on Thursday nights and the Queensday open air party from Bom Voyage on April 30th, is an international melting pot where everyone goes to celebrate the pre-festival vibe.

These days parties are evenly spread around the country, with events happening in Amsterdam, Breda, Den Haag, Eindhoven, Groningen, Hilversum, Leeuwarden, Nijmegen, Rotterdam, Utrecht, etc. You can look for parties on Goatrance.net or at the Facebook pages from Bom Voyage and Dutch Psytrance by organisations like 3rd Bit, Area 52, Cosmic Combination, Cosmic Freak Show, DAF, Equinox, Global Aura, Grass Events, Hightech-pleasures, Inspiration Kollektiv, Kosmic Fusion, Korsakoff, Namaste, N2O, Progress in Trance, S-Xperience, Shut Up & Dance, Ruigoord, Shangri La, StichtingVrijFeesten and Twisted Extractions.



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DUTCH NETWORKS

Dutch Goa and Psytrance Scene:

➤ facebook.com/groups/theDutchGoaAndPsytranceScene

Dutch psytrance party base:

➤ goatrance.net

DUTCH PARTIES

3rd BIT Events:

➤ 3rd-bit.nl

Area 52:

➤ facebook.com/pages/Area-52/150435045011300

Bom Voyage:

➤ facebook.com/groups/BomVoyageQueensdayParty

Cosmic Freak Show:

➤ facebook.com/CosmicFreakShow

Cosmic Combination:

➤ cosmiccombination.net

DAF:

➤ dutchartistfamily.nl

Equinox:

➤ facebook.com/equi.no.x.16

Global Aura:

➤ globalaura.nl

Grass Events:

➤ facebook.com/GrassEvents

Hightechpleasures:

➤ facebook.com/profile.php?id=100002090221334

Korsakoff:

➤ facebook.com/korsakoffamsterdam

Kosmic Fusion:

➤ facebook.com/KosmicFusionProductions

Namaste:

➤ namaste.eu

Ruigoord:

➤ tranceorientexpress.nl

Shangri La:

➤ facebook.com/groups/484254524972238

Shut Up and Dance:

➤ facebook.com/Fullmoonfestival

StichtingVrijFeesten:

➤ facebook.com/stichtingvrijfeesten

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NEW ZEALAND – grass roots feel and friendly vibe

Lush forests, rugged mountains, spectacular glaciers and volcanoes, rolling hillsides, relaxing hot springs, miles of coastline with gorgeous sandy beaches - no wonder New Zealand is becoming so popular as a location for movies, and increasingly for Psytrance parties. Known as the 'Home of Middle-Earth', hundreds of stunning locations throughout New Zealand were used to film Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit Trilogy.

If you're after the outdoor doof experience, the warmer months (November to April) are ripe for exploring the Kiwi scene.

Luminate Festival is currently the largest Psy-focused event, has been running since 2007, and runs for a mammoth 8 days in late Jan-early Feb in sunny Golden Bay. The



is for the seriously hedonistic outdoor dance animals, dishes up Psy, Prog, glitch & dubstep, takes place in February in a scenic location

alternative living and creative folk.

A good place to track down party info, herbal highs and smokers' supplies is at any of the Cosmic stores in the major cities, or The Hempstore in Auckland.



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environmentally conscious festival is firmly rooted in psychedelic culture, its diversity and earth-friendly approach attracts several thousand travellers from around the galaxy – at its location several scenes of The Hobbit were filmed!

Similar in land mass to the UK but with only 7% of the population, most Psytrance parties in NZ are small by European standards, several hundred to 1000, with a homegrown, grass roots feel and a friendly vibe. Many outdoor doofs survive by offering a broad range of electronic genres. Some also have a long history, such as Massive (Christchurch) who run events every Solstice & Equinox. The Psy-pirates were running great little Psy-doofs for a few years and have recently taken a break. Alien Nation has been running for 11 years,

close to Nelson, and has a faithful following of alien freaks.

You will find regular club nites and outdoor parties in the major cities and towns, pumping everything from dubstep to techno all year round. Phat productions in Auckland for Psy, and Organic Robot in Christchurch for minimal tech/house are worth checking out.

NZ producers with intergalactic reputations include Antix/Fiord, Pitch Black, Grouch and Tom Cosm. Wizdumb/Tripinstumble founded Cosmic Conspiracy Records in 2003 and is a well renowned influence in the minimal Psy scene. A good portal for all genres of NZ Electronica is Delicious Music where you can check out numerous producers and listen to their beats.

New Zealand's Maori culture has inspired many in the art of poi spinning, which rave culture has embraced. Home of Poi has a great selection of all things spinning and twirling. Circulation Festival in November offers total immersion in spinning & juggling workshops. Jugglers Rest in Picton is a cool backpackers to stay at whilst travelling between the north and south islands, welcoming party freaks and jugglers alike. Wharariki beach campsite is a good base to explore Golden Bay, a focal point of



POINTS OF INTEREST

Events

- luminatefestival.co.nz
- aliennation.co.nz
- massivenz.com
- circulation.co.nz

Music

- antixlive.com
- cosm.co.nz
- cosmicconspiracy-records.com
- deliciousmusic.co.nz

Best trippiest lighting company in NZ

- rgb-lighting.net/lighting

Where to Stay

- jugglersrest.com
- whararikibeachholidaypark.co.nz

Shops

- cosmiccorner.co.nz
- hempstore.co.nz
- homeofpoi.com

POLAND – A friendly and relaxed underground culture



Lying in the middle of Europe Poland is a country enjoying democracy since 1989. It quickly caught up with other countries and is long a well-developing country. The beginnings of the Psytrance scene can be found in the mid-90s when first events with electronic music were organized, also Psytrance was played there. DJs like Sesis, Chakra, Epix and Dreddy are credited for pioneering and the development of Psytrance culture in Poland.

Dreddy, together with Grzegorz Magnuszewski (aka Kino Oko), created Tromesa – the most popular Polish Psytrance act.

Right now the best and biggest festival in Poland is Goa Dupa OA organized by the Egodrop Crew in Dolina Będkowska near Cracow (in July). Other yearly outdoor events worth mentioning are Sadhana OA near Gdańsk (in July) and Cypel Trzech Kultur in Warsaw (in June).

At the moment, intimate club parties for 100-300 people are the power of the Polish scene. The most vibrant psychedelic cities in Poland are: Warsaw (crews: Mystic Arts Event, Leśna Szajka, Fantazja, Epilepsy), Cracow (Egodrop), Trójmiasto area (Toga, SCC, Medulla Oblongata, Be Psychedelic), Katowice (Psylesia, Ashoka), Rzeszów (Magowie Psychedelicznej Nuty), Wrocław

buses with free Wi-Fi offered by Polski Bus (polskibus.com/en)

Once you have experienced Polish parties you will easily realize that organizers put a big stress on decorations. Neila (Toga

collective mastered the art of lycra, LED and other combined material installations. VJs: Fuhek, No Art and OX43 are responsible for the visual aspect of the events.

Apart from well-known music projects



Dansverg), Vataa, PszczolaUV and Hallabana collective can be proud of the great backdrops they create for parties. MAE Deco Team is responsible for huge 3D string constructions, 2deko

like Tromesa, Big Wigs, Kino Oko, Aural Planet/Sundial Aeon/Sundial, Poland has a solid number of young producers who have a chance to conquer the global Psytrance scene. There are still many places in Poland where little is known about Psytrance culture but there is a big potential in the young generations which will develop the scene.

If you are looking for an unusual place to chill after a long weekend of partying we suggest visiting Crooked Forest just outside Nowe Czarnowo (West Pomerania): A forest of about 400 pine trees grow with a 90 degree bend at the base of their trunks - all bent northward. Surrounded by a larger forest of straight growing pine trees this collection of curved trees planted in 1930 is still a mystery...

(Equinox), Poznań (Synapsy) and Lublin (Psychoinfinity).

Indoor parties usually start at 10pm and last till the morning hours/noon. Entry fees vary, depending on region and size of the party, between 3 EUR and 15 EUR (clubs) and 8 EUR and 40 EUR (outdoor). The average price for a 0.5l bottle of beer is 2-3 EUR and 1 EUR for a 0.33l bottle of water. Fortunately the authorities are usually not involved in Psytrance gatherings nor they do any kind of screenings - but you have to use common sense, of course.

When you are traveling through our country the cheapest and most efficient way of getting from point A to point B is to use the Polish State Railways (PKP) trains (rozkład-pkp.pl) or comfortable couch



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PORTUGAL – Psychedelic experiences

Portugal is one of the Psychedelic Trance countries since 1995, and for sure many of us had their first introduction to the vibrant sounds of Trance at a party somewhere in this country. From North to South, Portugal has always been a synonym for good parties and amazing energy. In Lisbon and Porto, the main cities of the developing party scene, you can attend some event every weekend, outdoor or indoor, and always with some of the best national and international artists.

The main parties and festivals taking place this year: Freedom Festival, in its fifth edition, produced by Crystal Matrix. Freedom Festival will take place from 13th 'till 18th of August, and for sure will be worth checking if you are coming to Portugal this summer. Another good festival taking place between 6th and 9th of September is Insomnia in its first edition, produced by Samaveda and Fusion Prod, two of the most well-known party promoters from the North of Portugal. This festival will have 2 stages where we will have the pleasure to hear various projects from the Psychedelic Trance genre, and also



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Pic: Sónia Cardoso

some Progressive, Minimal, and Downtempo projects from around the world. More info

about this festival available at:
facebook.com/insomniaelectronicfestival

Also Psyart is one of the best party promoters here, making two amazing outdoor parties per year that became a quality trademark for Portuguese Psychedelic Trance events. Always surprising with big names from the Psytrance and Ambient scene, and with great infrastructures and environment, "Kin & The 4 Elements" is the event of choice if you want to have a great time at a psychedelic happening.

Talking about indoor parties: Clubs such as Porto Rio, Gare and Hard Club in Porto, and Opart, Warehouse, Republica da Musica, and Europa Club in Lisbon give to the psychedelic spirit a new reason for existence. In Porto you can check out good indoor parties from the

country who are creating excellent events are Digital Oracle, Fusion Prod, Vision Tek, Free Dreams & Incognita Prod. Talking about Portuguese artists and labels, we may look forward to some excellent work to come from projects like A-Mush, Zinx, Wired, Sinful Reactions, Algorhythm, Sub-Zero, Photonik, and Kin, also the well-known sounds from Poison, D-Maniac, Tryambaka, Sick Addiction, Menog, Khopat, Brainwash, and Alienn, among others. Also Spectral Records, Hypergate Records, and Flow Records keep on releasing some good music this year. In the Ambient / Downtempo genre please make sure to check Chilled C'Quence, Sergio Walgood, Balancé, or Ambiens Indages- Those are names to remember for listening pleasure in more relaxed atmospheres.

The average entry price reaches from 3€ to 30€ while the average prices for water / beer are between 1€ and 3€. Almost every weekend there's a good party that may run from 12am to 8am (club parties), or from 00h am to 8pm (outdoor events).

Portugal continues to be a highly energetic centre of the Psy movement, so it's always a good place to visit and for party!

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My favorite Typical Portuguese food is Bacalhão à Brás, which is basically codfish with eggs, fries, olives, all mixed into a big yellow paste that is delicious!

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Porto Rio club organization throughout the year. They are organizing several indoor events, always with amazing professionalism, amazing decors, artists and environment.

Other main organizers in this



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ROMANIA – beautiful people and landscapes

In Romania we all root for sunshine literally. Of course, we're not only chanting for Team SunShine, but primarily and probably most importantly, for getting prep'd for outdoor parties and festivals. I invite you to see my country and I guarantee yvvvou, you're not going to be disappointed. Romania, the land of all opportunities. I'm not talking about the possibility of getting a well paid job with ease, but that's surely not what you're looking for.



I'm talking about the young, spiritual Romanian generation, that tends to gain more and more attention throughout the world. And also about the breathtaking places wearing Romania's license. From the most wild landscapes of the Danube Delta and the beaches of Black Sea, where we had, in 2011 and 2012, a Teknival caravan making a 5 days pit stop on the way to Bulgaria, to the urban spirals that penetrate the lifelike mountain with the Transfagarasan Road. But the Psy rituals were usually performed at the edges of the forests, deep deep forests, at the mountain feet, where the shamanistic rhythms of Pscovsky, at

Rebirth 2012, could be heard kilometres up into the woods.

Rebirth was a 4 years thematic edition series that was giving start to the Psy year, with the first outdoor big festival. The theme was the 4 elements of the world, and the rite of passage started in 2009. It was Rebirth: Earth, which began, like all the others, very early, at the beginning of May. We had our main trooper Atma, along with E-Mantra and Atriohm, Kya and Aodioioa. Then it was Rebirth: Fire in 2010, with Atma and E-Mantra representing the homeland, and Aphid Moon, Megalopsy and Kya and Aodioioa again.

In 2011 we had Rebirth: Water, which

invigorated us from the cold weather with the sounds of Zik, Atriohm, Kya and Aodioioa more time, and from Romania Latam (present at all 4 editions) and Cooper. The last songs of the ceremony took place last year, during the period of Labor Day holiday and featured Psykovsky, Zikore, Dark Whisperer as headlines and Latam and Rastahfairy from the country.

But since the last of the 4 elements was consumed last year, we can't rely on a new rebirth at the beginning of May, but only later on in July, when the second edition of Waha (18-21.07.2013) will hopefully fulfill the high expectations, considering the 2012 impressions [pic4], with a strong main, with Aioaska, Aodioioa, and Romanians Atma, E-Mantra and Latam.

If you choose to come in August, be sure not to miss the biggest Trance festival around here, which I'm sure you've all heard about. It's Transylvania Calling (19-26.08.2013), which reached its 7th edition of the Gathering of the Tribes in 9 years! TC's line-up always gathered the most people, attracting almost 2000 Psy lovers from all around the world.

For this year, they already have confirmed: Atma, Dark Whisper, Psykovsky, Braincell and many more.



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www.soundcloud.com/kingpink



RUSSIA – spreading through the vast country



Russia is the world's biggest country in terms of territory and it seems that psychedelic Trance during the last 20 years has slowly spread from St. Petersburg to Novosibirsk and from Murmansk to Kazan where more and more parties are being held. Also, more and more talented artists and djs are appearing. It has become a good tradition that people from all over the country as well as some international visitors gather for annual psychedelic outdoor festivals held in Russia.

Most important of them are Systo, traditionally in May during big holidays in Russia near St. Petersburg, and Trimurti Festival in June in the so called Golden Ring area about 300-400 km from Moscow. Also popular and quality events are Insomnia Fest in June, Trishula in July and Space Camp Gathering in May.

However, the main cities for Trance remain Moscow, St. Petersburg, and Kazan where parties happen every weekend and big international names perform regularly. The 'Godfather' of Russian psychedelic scene DJ XP VooDoo has often come to play during the last few years as well as promoted an annual summer event called 'Time'.



Funk, Trimurti Records, Basic Algorithm, Moonstation, Cyberdelica, Global Sect responsible for revealing GOA trance sound and Microcosmos records bring some finest Chillout music.

Russia decorators like 3 Delica, Quantum Tribe, Tro Too Too and Luminokaya can be seen more often working at major events in Europe including BOOM, Transilvania Calling, Vibe Festival, Lost Theory Festival, Timegate and others.



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Psykovsky, Kindzadza, Furious (all OSOM Music) and Parasense remain our most significant exports to the global psychedelic scene spreading the so called 'Russian night sound' on festivals all over the world, with other Psytrance acts like Samadhi, Sulima, Dissociative, Sorrowmurk, RED, Enichkin, Montti, Animalis, Pharmacore, Z-Cat also making remarkable steps on the international party scene.

In the Progressive section there are some really promising new acts like Dual Lane,

Daniel Lesden, Starfall, Tribal Walkers with tunes starting to appear on labels world wide. Meanwhile such acts as Anton Chernikov and Vacuum Stalkers take hold as top class acts.

One of the first Russian labels Insomnia came back in 2012 after a few years with a debut release of talented artist Zumi and compilations by label djs scheduled for 2013. Another Russian veteran label Vertigo is active as never before, putting out albums by scene top acts, more releases are scheduled for 2013. Also one has to mention Sonic Chakras records that quickly became on of the most respected labels of forest psychedelic sound. St.Petersburg based label Sun Station is probably the most productive label in Russia and delivers quality and original music in different sub-genres. 'Kiss the Sound' managed by another Russian pioneer producer Den Kozlov has re-located from London to Moscow. Some recently established labels that release quality stuff are Unlimited Music managed by Fungus

POINTS OF INTEREST

Networks:

- psytribe.ru
- trance.ru

Festivals:

- trimurtifestival.com
- spacecamp.sonicchakras.ru
- spaceoffjoy.ru

Labels:

- insomnia-records.ru
- vertigo-records.com
- sonicchakras.ru
- osom-music.com
- sunstation.ru
- globalsect.ru

Artists:

- sulima-project.com
- facebook.com/dissociative

Deco:

- [/3delica.gallery.ru](http://3delica.gallery.ru)

Design:

- luminokaya.com

Psyware:

- chilloutplanet.com



SERBIA – A hotspot of producers

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Average prices:

Party entry from 2 to max. 5 EUR,

New Years Eve up to 12 EUR

Beer: 1,50 to 2 EUR

Water: max. 1 EUR

Dress policy:

No track suit and no weapons ;)

Traffic controls and drug screening:

In Serbia they still use only tests for alcohol

Preferred music style:

During the year there are only 2–3 big events with “mega-stars” like Skazi, Dino Psaras, Astrix... but the Progressive scene is really up and coming these

days. Progressive Psy Trance and the Tesseract sound can be heard in 5 different cities which is really nice, it never used to be like this.

Important party organizers:

There are no festivals in Serbia, but the biggest party organizers are: Xperiment, Soundscapes, Save The Rave, Addicted Org.

Most popular label:

TesseractStudio Records (Prog Trance, Psy Trance, Prog House, Chill Out and all good electronic music)

Popular producers from Serbia:

Talpa, Zyce, Flegma, Nerso, E-Clip, Side-form, Lyctum, Ectima, Alternative Control, Freaked Frequency, The Riddler, Vertex,

Pion, Float, Species, Middle Mode, plus Funky Dragon (who now lives in Austria)

Other fun activities:

What will be interested for travellers is the river of Danube which passes through the capital city Belgrade. Here there are kilometres of boat clubs, nice music is played by mostly ethno folks, also some House sound can be heard - party's all night long, Belgrade never sleeps!

Did you know that...?

Serbia is proud of the scientist Nikola Tesla who invented wireless transmission in 1886 plus more than 700 congenial patents, many of which we use today. Mihajlo Pupin made the modern phone, Novak Djokovic is the number one Tennis player in the world.



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ALTERNATIVE CONTROL

My favourite typical regional food is Pasulj, (Serbian Cyrillic: Пасуљ). It's a white or brown bean dish, considered a traditional dish of the Serbian and Bosnian cuisine though it is nowadays popular throughout many Balkan nations. It is normally prepared with smoked meat such as smoked bacon or smoked sausage. The bean dish is eaten mostly during cold periods of the year because of its high fat content. Another version are baked beans, in Serbia known as Prebranac.

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SPAIN – More than red wine and tapas



Spain's psychedelic scene has changed over the years, spiritually and musically. From around 2000 there have been the Cosmictrance and Muskaria crews, based in the Barcelona area, pushing the scene with parties and Trance stores that were also a meeting point for many artists. Ibiza kept the psychedelic vibes of the island with artists such as The Muses Rapt, GMS, Domi Pastor, Joti, Celli Earthling, Christof, Dado, Max & Mauri (Etnica), Davina and more. There are still many small and friendly Trance parties on Ibiza, besides the big commercial scene.

The Spanish scene brought to life great festivals like Sunrite, Omni, Transit and Sol, as well as the Existence Festival which I



remember as one of the best ones that gathered around 4000 people. As permits and licenses became a really difficult issue in Spain, the scene got smaller with almost no major festivals around, but still there is lots of effort and development in the underground.

For instance the Sindar crew, Transition festival, Furthor, and smaller ventures like Red Dust, Virus Net Cafe, Ashkari Project and more. The most positive side of the Spanish Trance culture today is that it really supports the local artists to create and perform Trance music. A good example is Nutek Records, based in Barcelona, pushing local artists like DJ Toxic, Green Beats, together with established names like Painkiller or Mekkanika, sending their sound and vision out of Spain with new agencies even in Japan and Mexico.

Most parties in Spain start at 00:00. Most clubs will close by law at 06:00. Legal Trance parties almost don't exist in Spain... whereas the semi-legal or illegal rave and squat house culture is huge. You can have

legal after, but it will be Techno or House events. If promoters arrange a small after party in a club, it's mostly not what the authorities allow... Average entry is around 5€ for a regular Trance party and 10 – 15€ for a big trance event. You will pay around 3-5€ for a beer in a club, and 1-3€ at squat parties. If you drink it is better to use local transport as there are traffic controls for drivers, testing for alcohol and sometimes also drugs.

The style of music that makes people move on the psychedelic dance floors is FullOn.

The probably best psychedelic parties are arranged by Sindar (the parties in



“row 14” Barcelona are a good example). Well-known labels are Nutek Records (Trance/ Chill Out), EtnicaNet (Trance/Chill Out) and Zero Gravity (Trance/ Psychedelic). Some well-known artists from Spain are The Muses Rapt, Painkiller, Lupin, GMS, Etnica, Bamboo Forest, Joti, Davina, Psycho Abstract, Lab's Cloud, Earthling, Keemiyo, Yar Zaa, Mekannika and Green Beats. You can find some nice party decoration by Sumeria, Dreamcolours, and Tribe of Frog.

Places worth seeing are Las

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tions in Barcelona, Dali museum in Figueres, enjoy the sunny beaches, the beautiful islands, the great Rioja wines, tapas and delicious bakeries everywhere around...



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SOUTH AFRICA – The future looks bright

Psytrance was first heard in SA in the early 90's & grown phenomenally, with more than 40 outdoor events during the extended summer from September to May. During winter the action never stops either with 5–10 indoor events happening weekly.

The epicentre of this culture is based in the picturesque Cape Town (CPT), with prominent event companies & events like Alien Safari, Vortex, Rezonance, Earthdance & Origin hosting the biggest events of the season. A few smaller yet well established brands like Groovy Troopers, The Village, Beartrap & MMD also host great outdoor events catering for specific musical tastes. There are a number of younger promoters like Psynopticz, Afriscot & Ultranoize now starting to make their mark.

In the rest of SA, you have Psytrance events in KwaZulu Natal (Durban area), most notably hosted by Psyforia & Festivals Of Light. In JHB you have events and promoters like Fu-Cha, Tswaing Crater Gathering, One Festival, Revolution NYE & Red Eye Productions. In the Eastern Cape (PE), the notable events are Earthdance PE, Wacky Woods & the events at the Gwaing river mouth, one of

the most beautiful venues in the country.

The culture has continued evolving with some truly colourful characters strutting their stuff on weekends & stomping (dancing) like no tomorrow. The locals show appreciation for a good dj or live set, the atmosphere that is created can reach electrifying proportions.

SA is traditionally known for a harder sound, but in more recent years Progressive has made an impact on the local community, with Equinox hosting an indoor event every Wed. Equinox also host 2 yearly outdoor events. Love & Light mostly host day out door

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making a return after a 2 year hiatus. In the last year a few new record labels have been established in CPT, with Kaos Krew Records making huge waves in the local & international scene, with 20 releases already to their name & numerous chart entries. Great new producers & djs are starting to surface as well.

Information about SA Psy culture is now easily obtainable via local blogs, in particular 3am, Psymedia & MyCityByNight,



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events, attracting up to 2000 people.

Some of the artists that have visited our shores over the last year include Skazi, Astrix, Azax, Painkiller, Bliss, Iliuchina, Zen Mechanics, Major 7, X-Noize & Koxbox just to name a few.

The local label scene is looking great as well, with established labels like MMD, Nano & Nexus Media releasing some solid releases over the last year & Timecode



as well as local hang out, Call-A-Pizza, a dedicated Psy pizzeria in CPT, where you can purchase tickets for events, cds, crystals and even a copy of Goa 20 Years of Psychedelic Trance.

The future in SA looks bright, and if you have ever thought of visiting our shores as an international traveller, there is no better time, with favourable exchange rates, affordable accommodation (backpackers & lodges), and with one of the friendliest vibes in the world, you are bound to have an amazing time!



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“Psychodelic Univers” is the name of the party. Dude... is this about psychos or what? And why can't you guys come up with something different than Aliens, Sun or X? However, the venue of this party is a blast. A lush meadow right at the edge of the forest, and there's even a wooden cabin which has been turned into a beautiful bar. The view up here is stunning, green rolling hills as far as the eye can see. It's almost kitschy in its postcard perfection, even the mysterious shrouds of fog are not missing. It's this moment that reminds me why I love these adventures so much. Outdoor events here in Switzerland usually start around 10 pm and they finish when the crowd is finished. Unfortunately some clubs close already at 6 am.

It's getting dark. Illuminated by UV lights I enjoy looking at naked, big-titted fairies surrounded by glowing mushrooms and planets, even though they are the same since years. Also I like the crystal clear sound of this open air. The entry for this party is 10 CHF, including free water and fruits. A beer is 4 CHF and a drink 6 CHF. Fair prices. So the drink coupons I was given stand for quite an amount of alcohol- other than in some clubs, where my free drinks are finished after one cocktail, which costs around 10 CHF there. Talking about intoxicants: I'm sure the police will pull over some party people tomorrow. They do so frequently, and they screen drivers for all drugs except LSD.

Sometimes I get a little pissed by how unprofessional events are organized, and I'm not only talking about small events. So it's definitely a pleasure to play for professional promoters like Mystica. There are also lots of labels around which are actually not more than a Facebook page. Of course some other guys are doing a really good job, for instance Sinsonic Records, Fractal Records, Audioalchemist, Moonloops, Explosive Nature and Kumquat.



However, quite all popular Swiss acts like Human Element, Electrypnose, Midimal or Liquid Soul are signed to foreign labels.

One hour later I'm DJing. All the multicolored freaks are going crazy. I started with some rather experimental stuff, so now I have to pitch down a track from 140 to 130 BPM. I keep up a clubby vibe, eventually even dropping some Techno tunes. And it works, the people got more open-minded recently. Today you can hear quite everything that kicks ass. Whereas during the past years it seemed like there was offbeat Progressive, offbeat Progressive, and for a change some more offbeat Progressive. For those who are keen on Dark Psy, they should check out the French-speaking parts of Switzerland, there's quite a scene there.

The biggest open airs like Burning Mountain or Summer Never Ends are held in beautiful Graubünden. There's an amazing landscape, perfect for hiking with all its mountain panoramas. Another recommendation is the lovely Somuna open air at Marbachegg in Emmenthal. If you are in this region, you should also visit Thun. There's a fairytale castle there

and the beautiful Schadau Park right at the lake, where you can meet a lot of nice people in summer. In the old city there's also a sweet little shop named Secret Nature (www.secret-nature.ch) where you can find good books, good music... quite everything us freaks are interested in!



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SWEDEN – tribal trolls dance in the forest

In the East L.I.S.A. organises first class events both small and big. In Stockholm, you have a variety of Trance parties. The biggest organisers, attracting a Fullon audience with international line up are Technostate and UBV. If you are more up for Darkprog zenonesque vibe, look out for SPDIF. Underground psychedelic forest and Suomi Trance is always well served, with good bookings by UrFunktion. Mindgamers and Trillah Hillah focus on the darker sides. Daytime parties are multiplying, often with more Progressive and techno music. Around Örebro, where the first Trance seed found Swedish soil in the late 80's, it is still possible to find a true underground party in the forest!



In the South, the open air season begins with "The Dance of the Planets", later followed by Frijord and at the end SkåneSafari.

Indoor parties are underground, often with a mix of Progressive and psychedelic Trance.

Keep an eye open for parties organised by Earthpunk or Skånska festakademien.

The scene around Göteborg and in the west, as in the rest of Sweden, has matured.

In the simple sense of high level production parties on a regular basis, very often with respected artists from abroad. Connected Network presents mostly Fullon stuff with a pinch of Psy, while Genesis project focuses on the more progressive, clubby side of Trance. While only a couple of years ago it was literally impossible to get permission to organise a Trance festival, in 2013 Genesis Festival will legally take place again after a successful first edition in 2012. It is also possible to experience more dark oriented Psy parties in the Göteborg area, couple of times every year organised by Altius & Sabi. The oldest organiser in town, Flexible is still active making a couple of proper parties every year, attracting both oldschoolers and newcomers!

Music-wise Sweden is one of the biggest exporters in the world. This is also true for electronic dance music. In all genres of Psytrance there are great producers – both legends and funky fresh talents (see box

1). We also have quite some really skilled djs, all trustable wizards behind the decks (see box 2). Diffus, NOS and INTI are some of the well established decorators. Last but not least, I would like to tell you the story about the actual peaking, deeply profound, spiritual, full-power-blast, psychedelic, tribal, Swedish troll forest dance experience! If you are a freaking seeker, feel free to

join forces where the sun never sets! Keep your senses open and check www.goabase.de for Swedish parties.



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join the tribe by visit Love Forest, Forest Star or Andra Vaer(I)den. Free upgrade to your higher frequency is guaranteed! By the way, there is a law in Sweden allowing everyone to camp almost everywhere for one night! A couple of times every summer and autumn, you can find a dark and colourful underground forest party in our brother-country Norway. In July 2014 there will be a MIDNIGHTSUNFESTIVAL far north in Norway, calling for the global dance tribe to

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THAILAND – one of the world's epicentres



Koh Phangan is still one of the centres of the world's Psytrance scene. Even at the famous Fullmoon party on Haad Rin beach you hear Psytrance pumping by the "Dark Psy of the Moon tribe" all night long in front of Tommy's resort. They started recently with a new location on the beach in Ban Khai. The Thai Psy scene started as early as the 90s when the hippie scene moved to Trance – a similar development as in Goa.

Legendary parties on Haad Rin and Leela beach attracted nearly all psychedelic music talents to Koh Phangan. Many famous producers and djs started here in the Vinyl and Zoom bars right on the beach. The Paradise waterfall NYE party 2001 boosted the scene on the island to one of the most favourites of everybody globally. The Green Spirit NYE parties lured thousands from 2004 to 2006 to Ao Nang beach at the Andaman Sea. But now the Experience Festival in Ko Tao – organised by the Ban Sabaii family - has taken over for many years as one of the best NYE open air parties in the world. 2,000 people joined in the season 2012/13 and more than 60 international and Thai live acts and djs played non-stop for 5 days. Famous Thai djs are Sabaii Sabaii, Tripical, Note, Leung, Koi and also foreign resident djs like Apnea, Sanuk, Venus Vibes, Templeton and many others belong to the local scene and play there frequently. In Koh Phangan parties lasting more than one night are not allowed anymore. Nevertheless the scene is awake like never before – especially in Ban Tai in the southern part of the island. In Ban Tai don't miss to visit the 7/11 shop, where all fraggles meet before the close-by parties. The monthly Halfmoon festivals of Jao (DJ Tripical) and the Harmony team, Shiva Moon parties, Black Moon Culture parties at Mac's Bay resort charge between 300 and 600 Baht. Most of these parties run all year. Halfmoon even gets around 4,000 people in the winter season around NYE. The Ban Sabaii family with Leung, Jonnie, Jo Moontribe and others are the only organisers without charging entrance fees: Ban Sabaii is THE place to go for after-parties the whole day until



late night. Other locations such as Jungle Experience don't play Psytrance anymore these days. But there are also other places and beaches to explore for hidden Psytrance parties in the jungle or



even on boats going out for 2 or 3 days.

In south Koh Phangan you get numerous shops like Moontribe, DMT Shirts and 4 shops of Psychedelic Alien to buy your fluoro-shiny Psy-clothes from the most famous labels between Moscow and Bali. Beware of drug checks by the police! Motorbike accidents hit almost every newcomer! Before going to Koh Phangan it's worth

visiting the Ooze bar in Soi Rambuttri next to Khao San Road. Hotananka Papa and the Thai DJ Jackie play Psytrance until 2 a.m. almost every night in the winter season. Papa is also famous for his parties on house boats in Kanchanaburi.



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Apart from Ko Phangan

Ooze Bar in Bangkok, situated in the parallel street of Ko Sam Road is the place to meet your fellow Trancers in Bangkok. A small open air bar run by Jacky and his family is the best place to get an update about coming parties and to hook up with friends.

Jacky is also one of the organisers of one of Moon Mountain (with Papa from Goa), a very special party, only recommendable for those who don't mind being stuck on a huge raft village in the middle of a lake for 3 days. If this sounds tempting, connect with the Ooze Bar family for more details. It usually takes place around xmas, around mid February as well as in April, but dates are subject to change. The location is stunning: a beautiful lake near Kanchanaburi (3 hours north of Bangkok) in the middle of a lush natural reserve. If you want something authentic, go for this one! A maximum of 200 people, up to 10 rafts towed together and a massive sound system plus excellent djs: one of the best parties I personally have played at!

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TURKEY – booming among young people

Bridging Asia and Europe, Turkey is one of the countries where Trance culture is influenced by European festivals on the one side and Israel and India on the other side. The Soulclipse Festival in 2006 was probably the kick off for the Trance movement in Turkey with 10,000 people, organised by Indigo Kidz from Israel. Though hampered by large logistical and organisational problems it was the best festival Turkey has seen until today. Another festival, Tree of Life, also organised by Israelis in co-operation with local Turkish promoters, gathered nearly 2,000 people last year and will regroup this year with Yaniv (U-Recken) being the main man behind all of this.

Izmir is considered one of the hot-spots: beautiful weather all year long, amazing beaches, friendly and open locals and killa food! Last year the smaller festival Compound gathered a stunning selection of artists. It was one of the most authentic parties ever which lasted for 4 days on a private beach near Foca. The same crew organises regular events as Aural Dimension (in March) and club parties in Izmir. Shanti Tribe is another important promoter for regular parties, climaxing in Pakawala Festival every 2 years. Voltron Festival took place in 2012 as well, with a mostly darkish and forestry music touch. Another professional festival in 2013 will be Nomad Festival near Antalya: with a great line up and fantastic venue do not miss this party! Mind Manifest is another crew throwing regular events in all the hot-spots like Istanbul, Izmir, Eskisehir, Ankara or Aydin. They teamed up with Psyleb from Lebanon and were responsible for Elemental Evolution in 2009.

Djane Sinay and Wackywhack. But there are countless talents. There are also many very talented visual and deco artists in Turkey, annually uniting in art exhibitions in Istanbul.



amazing, the people are open and interested in new input, the country is beautiful no matter what time of the year, the beaches are endless and the food one of the best I ever came across! Enjoy Turkey!



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Artists:

Djane Sinay and Wackywhack.

Talents:

Artra, Aslan, Shunpo, Chroma Noise, Shazzle Dazzle, Tolgoa, Drifter, Midi Junkies (organiser of Istanbul's first Goa Trance events), M.U.T.E., Woodpecker, Psychotherapy, PsySari (head of Intelligent Monkey) or Trauma (head of Ezel-Ebed Records, one of the few Turkish Psytrance labels).

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- Good portal to see what's going on in Turkey.
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As to drugs, they are illegal and punishment can be harsh but compared to other Muslim countries Turkey is actually one of the most liberal ones! Weed is available virtually everywhere. The mild climate is perfect for growing it. The quality is quite good, mostly bio and outdoor and prices are low. Other drugs are not so openly available and it's a nearly a year ago that Turkey has seen its last big wave of acid. Chemical designer drugs are gaining though! Alcohol and cigarettes are highly taxed. It might be clever to bring your own Jaegermeister!

All in all Turkey is a beautiful spot to travel, to party, to meet new friends and to simply have a good time! Hospitality is

Istanbul is another hot-spot. It features international as well as local artists. In total the scene is not so big yet but it seems that in the last years Psytrance has become more popular among mostly young people.

Regarding artists, there are not yet so many who are booked abroad, except for



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UK – How Psy is London?

Many people around the globe believe London is a hub for the Psy scene. Well it's true that many well-known artists do live in London like Tristan & Avalon. But does that makes us at the Mecca of the Psy scene?

The underground (illegal squat) Psy party scene continues to push events week after week in a bid to capture as many people



dressed like a cross between Skater / Goth / Hippie / Rasta for the boys & Psy Goa Cave Fairy's for the girls. Entrance is around £10. Laws in the UK for these types of parties vary depending on which police units turn up! Indoors or out, the negotiation of the party continuing depends on both sides. Normally the vibe can be really good, depends on the type of Psy you're after! Many Psy underground followers prefer the faster BPM, labels like Bom-Shanka & Psynon stepped up to Hi-Tech sounds of Lunatic Alien Records. It's for the most part played all through the night. If you're more into Fullon, those artists like M-Theory or Champa generally play in the morning! Some parties still remain who play the more full-on sound all night long.

Psy Invasion has been around for over 7 years and Shane Gobi's Alchemy events are regular making awesomeness happen. The main floor is full-on where the 2nd room normally gets left for progressive styles of Bedouin and Neutrino. Psy Club parties like Halcyon make larger parties with artists like Dejavo, Libra9 & Zeus, 3-4 times a year, in venues like Electric & Ministry of Sound Club. Smaller happy vibe events like Cohesion continues to be London's only full-on monthly Psytrance party for the last 5 years every first Sat of the month at Club 414 in Brixton, run by DJ ThallOm. Club events normally have a



full-on and progressive style, not so much the harder edge. All said, you decide!



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Bristol – Party at the Church

Those who have travelled the U.K. all agree that Bristol is different than other major cities in England. The mixing of various nations created something very special over the years. No coincidence, the atmosphere of the city is simply magical. Many famous artists were born and raised here, such as Banksy, the world famous street-art painter,

Roni Size, the father of Drum and Bass, the bands Massive Attack and Portishead. The fantastic vibe created a great Psytrance community as well.

There are many proper labels and party organizing groups that make Bristol's night- and trancelife more colourful. Tribe of Frog is the biggest community in the city, they organize parties every month with special guests like Cosmosis, Braincell, etc. Another big community is Psyanide, they have been putting on shows in and around Bristol for well over a year now at Black Swan, Lakota Nightclub, or at Trinity Arts Center, which is actually a converted church. This crew is also behind Planet Shroom events. Woo-Dog Recording is a fresh, hard edged Psytrance record label, founded in 2010. The label emerged from the depths of the Bristol Underground scene and aims to bring you the most fresh and edgiest Psytrance... with a friendly vibe.

When summer rolls around we can also find several open-air events in the



area. The most important Psytrance gathering is Cosmo Festival, which is based in Taunton at the city's race course, founded in 2009. Each year's extensive and intriguing program presents a broad range of multimedia artists and musicians in electronic dance music styles, ranging from Psytrance, Goa Trance, Techno, Progressive, Chillout/Ambient, Minimal Techno, House, Breakbeat, and Live Acoustic.



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If you are in the UK, you should definitely visit Dartmoor, in Devon. One of the last pieces of wilderness left in the south of England, it's dotted with 'tors' – granite hills whose summits have been eroded clean of soil. In the summer these form the route for the day-long Ten Tors Challenge, a team race across the moor that started out as a military training exercise based on the escape of the Dalai Lama from Tibet.

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USA – California Sunshine



PsyTribes has been organizing Psytrance events in L.A. since 1997. 2013 marks our 16th year of consistently bringing international talents to the L.A. scene, 90% of the Psytrance artists who have played in L.A. have played for PsyTribes events. The team is also responsible for introducing Infected Mushroom to Los Angeles, by bringing them out to perform for the first four times, starting in the year 2000. Eventually Infected made their move from Israel to Los Angeles in 2005 and since then have become worldwide superstars.

PsyTribes Los Angeles continues to throw amazing events in L.A. -Some of their most popular ones being Spring Freakuency (which takes place usually in April or May) and The Psychedelic Freak Show, a Halloween event at the end of October. These two events usually take place at a beautiful forested Indian Reservation, which is located two hours South of L.A. in the great outdoors. Both events include a 48 hour camp out, a stellar international Psytrance line-up, top notch Funktion One sound, amazing tribal atmospheres and

up PsyTribes & Greensector in Los Angeles. For events in Northern California, look up Pulse & Symbiosis from San Francisco. In



addition to these events, a traveller should never forget that one of the most psychedelic festivals in the world is the Burning Man Festival that takes place 2 hours east



decorations. PsyTribes events usually draw 1000+ people, but we also organize smaller monthly events indoors and outdoors, depending on the season.

With new Psytrance scenes popping up all over the U.S., most scenes are still fairly small. The three biggest Psytrance scenes in the U.S. right now are in Los Angeles-San Francisco & New York. However the Psytrance scene in California (Los Angeles in particular) has maintained the old-school Goa vibe, remaining tribal and authentic when many other scenes around the world have become more modern and concert-like.

Here is a general guide to finding a Psytrance event near you, when traveling in the U.S.

If you find yourself on the east coast, look for events by Alladin Project & Fractal Tribe. For Southern California events look

of Reno, Nevada. This is a week long festival of sustainability, self-reliance, gifting, mass art installations, and a wide array of music culture; A festival that everyone in the world should attend at least once in a lifetime.

INFO

Some Artists who started out in the US or are currently living here:

Chromatone
Quadra
Penta
Random
Mad Maxx
Poli
Smoke Sign
Bird of Prey
Desert Dwellers
Tectum
Jirah
Nikroma
Swell
Kabayun
Cora



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A GALAXY OF TRANCE

The soundscape of the scene keeps growing

There may be quite a lot of local Trance scenes in quite a lot of different countries, but as a matter of fact the Trancer is a cosmopolitan, a globetrotter holding the passport of a state of mind. However, there are frontiers in this scene. When it comes to these frontiers, opinions differ - to say the least. There are different regions in the world of Psytrance and the inhabitants of one will not necessarily like the environment of the other. For instance those living on the sunset beaches of Proggy Land with its manga-eyed dolphins jumping in front of a pink horizon are often afraid of the dismal depths of the Forest where mentally disturbed demons run free and reign a chaotic system of weirdness.

Talking about Dark and Progressive - it seems like these subgenres are indeed bursting with creative energy at the moment, pushing the diversity of Psytrance - and at the same time the complexity of its phylogenetic tree, sprouting ever new subgenres.

People have very different concepts when they are talking about those styles. Some might think Dark has around 180 BPM and at least 2 samples about psychedelic drugs per track. Not true, at least not entirely. What seems to be only one subgenre has in fact a great variety of sub-subgenres itself, and in fact the term "Dark" is misleading just like the buzzword "Electro". Hi-Tech, Forest, Psycore, Suomi... There are many shades of Dark.

Does Dark Progressive fit in here, as well? Crossing bridges between the highly psychedelic, ultra-deep atmosphere of the one genre and the moderate tempo and elegant minimalism of the other, it's a fascinating phenomenon between the worlds with its flagship label Zenon putting out loads of truly great party music.

Which brings us to the wide field of Progressive. On the one side of the ever growing spectrum there are the light and uplifting offbeat tracks commonly referred to as "Hamburg sound". As a matter of fact an independent scene has formed around this style in North



REGAN

NANO Records

We are about to launch into a whole new realm online with NANO this year, can't wait! We have such an amazing collective of artists, a real family, and we are all building something together bigger than ourselves.



DJ FOOSE

Ganja Tree Records

We see people returning more and more from melodic stuff back to the essence of psytrance where the bassline has a primary position. On the other side, Chill Out is more and more appreciated. We have some awesome live bands that use live instruments besides digital technology.



DJ PIN

Mosaico Records

I like to describe it straight as "Psytrance" but basically we search for hypnotic, non appellative music. We give each release it's own time to be ready. We would only put it out when we all agreed it's 100% done, even if takes a long journey to reach that point.

SUNTRIP RECORDS

Melodic Goa Trance

➤ suntriprecords.com

Release:

Filteria - Lost in the Wild
(autumn 2013)



**MOSAICO
RECORDS**

MOSAICO RECORDS

Psytrance

➤ facebook.com/mosaicorecords

Release:

Hyperflex & Purist - Inner Worlds



GANJATREE RECORDS

A perfect blend of psy & chill

➤ [facebook.com/
GanjaTree.Records](https://facebook.com/GanjaTree.Records)

Release:

Dreadlock Tales - Gravity Equals Love



NANO RECORDS

Blasting Sunshine Beats!

➤ nanorecords.co.uk

Release:

Tristan & Outsiders - Force of Nature



WORLD PEOPLE PRODUCTION

Psytrance

➤ world-people.org

Release:

V.A. "Back to Pirate"

Germany and Scandinavia. On the other side, there are the rolling and grinding productions that have a rather hard and twisted edge. It seems like this popular take on Progressive Trance borders on Full On... yet another subgenre of the Psytrance scene. Focusing on sheer rhythmic power and intricate melodic takeoffs, Full On has indeed a very traditional moment to it while at the same always sharpening the edge of acoustic pressure and production quality. Interestingly, quite some people still refer to this kind of music simply as Psytrance.

Let's not forget about the chilled out side of our scene. The psy-chilled out side, so to say. Countless DJs around the world prove this genre to be the probably most open-minded one, playing everything from Café del Mar to Indian folklore to deep space stunes. While the majestic soundscape of Shpongole Land remains a major reference for many producers, there is also a lot of innovation going on, exploring Bass Music, World Music and more and more classic instruments for a band-like approach towards production.

At the risk of repeating myself: There has never been so much great music out there like today. The only thing you have to do is to pick the fruits you desire from this incredibly fertile tree of music.



QUEROX

Prog On Syndicate

It can be seen everywhere: The offbeat acts are dominant in recent years, everything evolves more into the deep, technical and mass-market sectors. Clearly, we are moving with the times, underground was yesterday. The masses feel more and more involved, this is part of the development of the Psytrance scene. And it is good.



NIKO S ECHO

Phoenix Groove Records

Surely we have to be aware of the flow of the market so we can continue, but it's important to have an identity if you will be around us. A sentence that's been floating around our roster is "blend the classics with fresh ideas" - we feel the need to go back in order to proceed to the future. Just follow our stigma.



KOAN

Dacru Records

As a label we've always had a strong focus on pure, melodic morning Full On. Our intention is to maintain an active search policy for new talents. And to put on the Psytrance agenda our latest discoveries Spirit Architect, Bitkit and Tropical Bleyage.



REMKO

BooM! Records

We go for the uplifting, melodic, and psychedelic sound, both Psytrance and Psy Prog, although I would not call myself a style junkie. I test new tracks myself: Do I start bouncing? Grinning from ear to ear? Goosebumps? It's all about the energy and development in the tracks, regardless of a particular style.

DANCE N DUST RECORDS

Psy Progressive/Techno

➤ dance-n-dust.com

Release:

Shazbatt/Simple trace (EP)
(still in process)

DANCE
N
DUST

HADRA RECORDS

Psytrance / Progressiv / Ambient

➤ hadra.net/label_hadrarecords

Release:

Hadravision 2
(Ambient / Downtempo compilation)



DACRU RECORDS

Soulful Melodic PsyTrance

➤ dacru.be

Release:

U-Recken - A Light At
The End Of The World

BOOM! RECORDS

Psy-Prog

➤ boomrecords.com

Release:

Braincell - Illusion and Reality
(digital ep)



AUDIOALCHEMISTS RECORDS

Progressive Trance

➤ audioalchemists.com

Release:

Astralis: "Human Race EP"



IONO MUSIC

Progressive Psytrance

➤ iono-music.com

Release:

Time in Motion & Flexus
Sexual Activity

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