



Intervention Rec. IR 006
 Everclear: Sparkle And Fade

Format: 1LP 180g 33rpm / gatefold sleeve
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Manufacturer: Intervention Records
 Original label: Cadet

Genre: Pop
 Everclear remains one of the few elite acts to emerge from the post-Nirvana grunge explosion, rockers that could not only match the crunch and aggression of Seattle's finest, but the hooks and emotional honesty. Everclear's Art Alexakis wrote songs that were a mature but hard rocking brand of power pop with gritty, achingly true lyrics about addiction, failed relationships and loneliness.

"Sparkle And Fade" was Everclear's second release, and it broke HUGE, a platinum-selling smash with hit tunes like "Santa Monica", "Heroin Girl" and "Heartspark Dollar Sign".

Everclear's "Sparkle And Fade" was captured on analog master tapes, but never fully assembled in the analog domain. That means choosing the final mixes, sequencing, crossfades, etc. was performed only in the digital domain, which in a real sense means no analog master exists of the final album. Universal archived the original tapes in high-resolution digital and supplied IR with flat 24-bit/96kHz files for compatibility with Coherent Audio's 24-bit capable Pacific Microsonics D-A conversion system and what notes were available regarding which files contained final mixes, sound effects, crossfades, etc. Coherent's Kevin Gray and IR's Shane Buettner then spent painstaking hours running down the title comparing the files to the original Capitol LP to ensure final mixes and sequencing, crossfades, sound effects and properly space the time between tracks.

Sonically, "Sparkle And Fade" is now better than ever before, with true timbres and textures, a much more expansive soundstage, no dynamic limiting/compression, and unsurpassed musicality and listenability. A '90s alt rock classic brought to new life!

"Sparkle And Fade" - Art Alexakis (g, voc); Craig Montoya (b, voc); Greg Eklund (dr, voc)