

BATCH TOTEM | TRUNKERET & IKONISK - Ristretto [rist07]

'trunkeret & ikonisk' consists of 19 audiotracks on a standard 1'44 mb Floppydisk.

The audio is encoded in the GSM 6.10 WAV format at various bitrates - the disk holds 74 minutes of audio, that can be played on a computer with standard audio-players like Winamp, Windows Media Player and Itunes without any external codec installed.

The audio has not been converted from existing material, but composed directly in the spectral domain, using the GSM format as a chosen timbral limitation. The aim has not been to fit as much data as possible on a lowlevel medium as the floppydisk, but rather to explore the musical possibilities inherent in the specific medium and audioformat. On certain tracks the amplitude and low bitrates produce 'ghost' frequencies according to the Nyquist theorem, and the algorithm of the audio codec - meaning that very high frequencies and white noise can occur at very low bitrates. Using listening equipment with a subwoofer is recommended.

The audiofiles cannot be converted to other formats such as MP3 without altering the timbral content dramatically.

[Files encoded as GSM 6.10 WAV, MONO - bitrates from 320hz and above.
The GSM 6.10 WAV codec is installed by default on Windows machines.
The compability has not been tested on MAC OS or Linux.
Tracklist and compability information textfiles are included on the disk.]

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