

Al Ain Oasis Soundscape

Audio Description

0:00

Nature sounds fade in quickly: chirping birds and the flow of water. The sound of water overpowers; it sounds like it's all around us, as if we are underwater.

1:22

A male voice reciting the Muslim call to prayer in Arabic fades in, sounding like it's through a speaker. The melody is melancholy.

3:40

The prayer ends and the water and bird sounds continue. The water gurgles. Sounds in the background suggest someone or something walking through brush, branches or leaves scraping.

6:15

The nature sounds fade, focusing in on just the flow of water. Suddenly the birds come back. This change in dynamic and volume repeats. Droning white noise cuts out of the left channel, then the right, then both, then reappears.

8:25

Adding to the sound of water is something like frogs croaking. It sounds like someone is blowing bubbles in the water.

9:20

The pitch of the water recording gets higher. Some sounds seem electronic, like synthesizer bleeps and bloops. Then it fades out.