

The Recording Process

1. Sketch out your idea.

If you have lyrical inspiration, write it first, or at least put notes down! Watch appropriate mood media you already know while brainstorming

Pick simple presets

Compose your main melody/hook, think of structure, make basic drum beat and bass

2. Start your rough draft

Add a basic body and beat structure

Arrange accordingly

Add scratch live instruments and any other soft synth you think works

Add scratch vocals

3. Listen over rough song, if unhappy, repeat from step 2 till it's right

4. Create Good Copy/Tweak Phase

Find/select proper sound selection, listen over and over till it's right

Commit VSTs to track

Record-final guitar track and other live instruments if needed

Re-record vocals, add harmonies

5. Create First Mix 1!

Listen to on various devices and seek critique!

6. Re-mix and tweak accordingly after receiving feedback, return to sound selection if needed. Make as many mixes as you need!

7. Pre-Master and archive! Time to move on to your next hit :P