

Mutya Buena

Real Girl (Island 1734610)

Following her split with Sugababes last year, Buena takes no time to deliver a debut album for Island which is both poppy and soulful.

Showcasing excellent vocals throughout, the album is a more adult affair than her output with the 'Babes. Very R&B in places, the album boasts appearances by Amy Winehouse, George Michael and Groove Armada, with the best tracks being the pleading opener

Just A Little Bit, the Lenny Kravitz-sampling Real Girl and the plaintive piano ballad Strung Out.