



Forró Miór: not a Forrò Band

Latin Forró from Portugal, Brazil, Argentina, Angola

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The band Forró Miór brings a new concept of Forrò to the world music scene. Their approach to this Brazilian folk genre remains faithful to its tradition but opens to influences of cumbia, milonga, swing, samba and latin-jazz.

Their expressive verve, always open to improvisation and interplay, has proven to be appealing to forró dancers as well as to the general audience.

Forró Miór bring refreshing musical originality through powerfully engaging performances.

"Forrò Mior in constantly looking for new melodic and rhythmic influences from all over the world.. and theyr album Trotamundos is a wonderful proof of it" - Radio 1 RAI Brazil

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The story:

When Alberto, Nicolás and Timoteo met in Florence in the 2015, with the idea of starting a forró band, they would not imagine what was in store for them: hey became great friends, they played in more than two hundred (200!) concerts in 24 less than two years, in over 40 cities throughout 9 different European countries; they've been recognized and invited by the National Italian Radio RAI station as the most representative forró band in the country.

When they moved to Lisbon, they had the chance to meet the Angolan and Cape Verdean musicians in the city and introducing African elements in their music.

After less than a year since their first concert in Florence, the French tabloid Le Monde recognized them as "among the most inspired and renowned bands" of the genre.



Band members:

- Nicolas Farruggia, Argentinian born guitarist and composer, graduated in Bloomington (Indiana University School of Music) and the Royal Academy of Music (London), decides to abandon his established career as a concert-hall-musician to move to Brazil and dive into its music and culture for almost a decade. There he collaborates with the greatest composers and musicians, such as Chico Buarque, Capinan, Johnny Alf, Roberto Mendes;
- Alberto Becucci, accomplished world-music accordionist and composer from Italy, involved with many tango and swing projects, he collaborated and toured with Vinicio Capossela and Bandabardò;
- Timoteo Grignani, Italian born and Greek raised percussionist, for whom performing arts run in the family, tours with music and theatre projects throughout the world, despite his young age.





The album

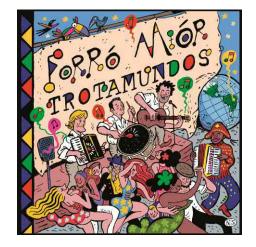
The album "Trotamundos", was recorded in Lisbon and features Cape Verdian artists Jon Luz and Rolando Semedo (the guitarrist of Cesaria Evora). Is a well accomplished transcultural experiment that goes through the tracks, traditional forró repertoire meets tango (in Gonzaga's 'Roendo Unha') and swing (in Gordurinha's 'Chiclete com Banana'); original tunes like 'Mornaião' offer an opportunity of dialogue between Cape Verdian morna and Brazilian baião.

Trotamundo also brings old classics from Argentinian folklore (Ramon Ayala's 'El Cosechero') or from the Italian tradition (Domenico Modugno's 'Pasqualino Marajá') with refreshing and original arrangements.

"Flor-de-lis boa!", one of the original songs from their latest album, is a mix of traditional Angolan rebita and Bahia's samba-de-roda maintaining the traditional forró instrumentation. Described like this it may seem like they are pushing it a bit too much and yet, according to Chico Buarque de Hollanda, "'Flor-de-lis boa' is a delight". The videoclip is coming out soon.

Album Tracks

- 1. Vendedor de Caranguejo
- 2. Pau de Arara
- 3. Chiclete com banana
- 4. Agua de Remanso
- 5. Flor de Lisboa
- 6. Suolica Carense
- 7. Pasqualino
- 8. Fico Leve
- 9. El Cosechero
- 10. Roendo Unha
- 11. Marujada
- 12. Festa
- 13. Mornaiao



VideoClips: <u>Fiesta - Live at Antitapas | Afro Pfongsten Festival, 2017 - Complete concert | Vendedor de Caranguejo, Muziek Publique</u>

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Live Dates: Festival Byonritmos - Baião Portugal 2017 Fabrica Braho de Prata - Portugal Casamatta, Italy Festival Tom de Festa - Portugal Gammazita, Italy Bar Piolho - Portugal Titanice Sur Mer, Portugal Estarreja - Portugal Largo Cafè - Portugal Arriala da Mouraria - Portugal La Espositiva - Granada, Spain KulturPunkt - Flawil Switzerland Planta Baja - Granada, Spain Fabriekbeiz, Wadenswil-Switzerland SGwoelb - Switzerland Boteco - Glasgow, Scotland Boteco - Edinburgh, Scotland Arcipelago di Ocno, Mantova, Italy Festa do Avante - Lisbon Portugal Argelab, Milano, Italy Festas da Vindimas - Portugal Festival Arno Vivo, Pisa, Italy Eine Welt Afro Pfingsten Festival - Winterthur Fiesta Latina - Bruxelles Belgium Switzerland Cellule 133 - Bruxelles Belgium Festate Festival - Chiasso Switzerland Buskers Bern - Bern Switzerland Import Export - Munich Germany Me gusta la musica - Magdeburg Germany Asfaltart Festival - Merano Italy Sarteano Jazz Festival - Italy Cortile Caffè, Bologna, Italy Barracuda Festival - Italy Cirko Paniko Party - Italy Fiuminarte - Italy

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BUH! - Florence Italy

ArnoVivo - Italy Notti di Giove- Italy Vox Munid Festival - Italia

Wohnzimmerkonzerte - Germany

Montaione in Musica - Italy

Bagno Polka - Italy

Cuadro 22 - Chur

Kafeehaus - St Gallen

Side-Kunst Cirque - Italy

Tolfarte - Roma, Italy







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