



**HARMONICA VIRTUOSO JEFFERSON GONÇALVES &
BITENCOURT DUO EUROPEAN TOUR 2024**

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Harmonica player Jefferson Gonçalves joins The Bittencourt Brothers for an unprecedented show and European Tour in 2024.

The proposal is bold: an encounter between the vibrant sound of harmonica, drums/percussion and hybrid guitar.

The special flavor comes from the hybrid guitar, an instrument developed by North American musician Charlie Hunter, with seven strings (three of double bass and four guitars). With this line up, unique in Brazil, the trio create a sound full of personality and a lot of groove.

For the new show, the musicians prepared reinterpretations of Jefferson's compositions who, in addition to being a great interpreter, is an accomplished composer. His instrumental themes take listeners on musical journeys in which street corners of the Brazilian Northeast, blown by the accordions of Gonzagão and Dominginhos and the "pifes" (a primitive kind of flute made of bamboo) of The Aniceto Brothers, intersect with the Deep Mississippi, strummed on the steel strings of Muddy Waters and now with the unusual sound of hybrid guitar.

Their repertoire is composed by original songs full of groove, melodies and rhythms, perfect ingredients for a high-spirited, contagious and electric show.

JEFFERSON GONÇALVES

Jefferson is one of the main references within the harmonica in Brazil and around the world. His work has already been praised by several musicians, international magazines and websites. With its unmistakable and original style, it consolidates once and for all, your competence and creativity creating authentic mixes, where styles different elements come together to create a typically Brazilian atmosphere. Your harmonica makes a mix between North American folk music and Brazilian regional rhythms styles such as Forró, Baião, Xaxado, Maracatu, among others.

The musician chose to create his own sound and shows this in his albums and on tours throughout Brazil and several countries, promoting mergers, dialogues and intercessions between genres that are apparently distinct, but that have inescapable similarities to attentive listeners. With that, the Rio de Janeiro native Jefferson Gonçalves stands out as one of the most versatile names on the harmonica.

He played for diverse audiences, performing in some of the best Blues venues in the world such as Teatro San Martin (Buenos Aires), Blue Note (New York), Deep Ellum Blues (Texas) and Bamboo Room (Florida). His resume also includes concerts in Spain (Madrid and Toledo), Germany (Frankfurt), Chile (Santiago and Valparaíso) and Africa (Senegal).

With all this experience acquired in thousands of shows, recordings and workshops, Jefferson Gonçalves has been a reference in harmonica in Brazil and the world, which is why in 2017 he was invited by the German company Seydel Harmonicas to be the first Brazilian endorser to be part of the Seydel Harmonicas Team.

BITTENCOURT DUO

Formed by Julio Bittencourt (drums and percussion) and Luciano Bittencourt (hybrid guitar and acoustic guitar), the duo brings to Brazil the first line up with that sound.

The hybrid guitar, an instrument developed by the musician American Charlie Hunter, with 7 strings (3 bass and 4 guitar), adds a unique personality and characteristics, grooving, soloing or harmonizing, all carried out by the same person.

As seasoned players having worked alongside artists such as Paulo Moura, Gilson Peranzeta, Bernard Fines, Idriss Boudriua, Toninho Ferragutti, François de Lima among others, the Duo travels around Brazil performing at Jazz Festivals

With 7 albums released in Brazil and abroad, Julio Bittencourt trio became Bitencourt Duo, releasing in 2018 in partnership with Leo Gandelman the album “Yellow Sax Marine”, a reinterpretation of Beatles songs in a jazzy feel.

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