SOLAR

Acoustic world fusion



João Lobato — lead artist, multi-instrumentalist

Featuring Ivan Mucavel — mbira, vocals and light percussion.

An acoustic journey through Afro-Brazilian musical traditions.
Indian, Persian, and Southern African.

A journey through inner and outer worlds.

Founded in Brazil by multi-instrumentalists João Lobato and Thiago Zíngaro, Solar is an original project of *world fusion* led by João Lobato. Through string instruments and percussion, Solar explores musical connections between Afro-Brazilian, Indian, Persian, and Southern African traditions.

João alternates between sitar, tabla, berimbau, saz, and guitar with Persian tuning. In live performances, he is accompanied by Mozambican mbira master Ivan Mucavel, whose mbira, vocals, and percussion complement João's compositions and instrumental explorations.

The result is a flexible and intimate acoustic performance, with contrasting rhythmic textures, contemplative passages, and energetic musical exchanges.

The musicians' extensive experience includes jazz ensembles, berimbau orchestras, carnival groups, traditional instrumental ensembles, and rock bands, with performances in Brazil, England, Scotland, and Mozambique.

THE ALBUM

ONO — now available

The album ONO was developed with Mozambican musicians, expanding the musical dialogue of the project between Brazil and Southern Africa.

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