

# MONKEY SAFARI

Riding in with the power to deliver sunshine to world's rainiest open air events, Monkey Safari bring rays of light to whatever dance floors they cast their shimmering spell on.

Hailing from Halle, Germany, the brothers Lars and Sven kicked off their quest as Monkey Safari in 2008, launching the musical collaboration, along with their What!What! Records imprint, with "Saturday Night Fish." Another non sequitur, a club called Charles Bronson, came a year later, giving the siblings a tree house to call home.

This evolution, however, didn't happen so quickly. Brothers since birth, Lars went first down the DJing path with his hip-hop obsession, followed by Sven who developed a taste for UK big beat. Determined to find common ground in their communal appetite for Gangstarr and Guns 'N Roses, they conceived a youth-powered party, Electric Ballroom, that brought indie/alternative in one room together with electronic sounds in the other.

They continue to function with that separate-but-equal ethos today, with Lars gathering sounds in the studio while Sven hunts tunes for their DJ sets. But the sum of this two-man tribe exceeds its individual parts. No wonder their 2012 hit "Hi Life," received Pete Tong's coveted Essential New Tune blessing before sharing CD space on Ministry of Sound's Chilled House Session compilation series with stars like Royksopp, MK, Disclosure and Hot Since 82.

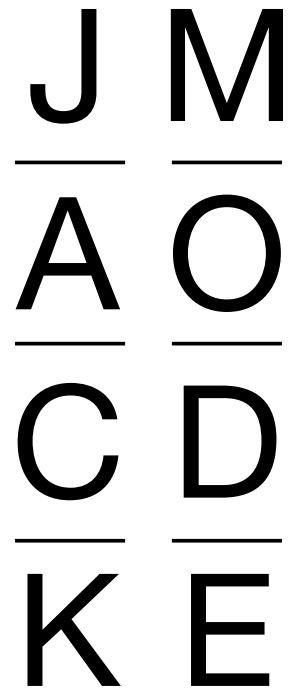
The Monkey's special sonic stew is a flavor favored by DJs such as Sven Väth, Joris Voorn, Pete Tong, Tensnake, or Jaques Lu Cont but it's always best when served fresh by the simian chefs themselves, who dish it with enough spice to fuel fires on famed dance floors like Space Ibiza, Watergate Berlin, Verboden New York, Revolver Melbourne, Social Club Paris, Awakenings and Time Warp Germany and US.

2015 saw the brothers swinging to new trees, retiring their previous labels to focus on their new Hommage imprint. But the mandate remained the same, sending sunny vibes to make even the darkest dance floors smile. 2015 also unveiled Monkey Safari's remix for Marc Houle's "Pepper" on Richie Hawtin's label Minus, their hugely successful "Cranes" EP including remixes by Kölsch and Wolf + Lamb and their latest release "Walls" featuring a host of remixes, including Techno heavy weights Josh Wink and Guy Gerber as well as one of music's most iconic producers, Moby.

2016 will see lots of new Monkey Safari releases. Paco Osuna and Chloé already delivered their outstanding remixes for Monkey Safari's first EP of the year, which will be released in March. Rumor has it John Digweed is working on a remix for their second EP. Stay tuned for more details!

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