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Ricardo Maranhão



Blues guitarist with an international career, over 1,000 shows performed, and recognition in awards and radio broadcasts in the United States.



Biography

International blues guitarist, Ricardo Maranhão began his musical journey at the age of 9 and has built a career with over 1,000 live performances. His sound is original, with strong influences from both classic and contemporary blues.
Part of his musical training took place in the United States, including time in:

- Nashville (TN) — country and bluegrass
- Mississippi — birthplace of the blues

During this period, performed with international artists such as Shaun Murphy, backing vocalist for Eric Clapton.

In 2015, signed with Star 1 Records, gained prominence on U.S. radio with “Pull the Trigger” (reaching 6th position on the charts), and expanded his international presence, with coverage by Rolling Stone and MTV (U.S.).
Ricardo has received major international awards, with emphasis on the Akademia Music Awards, including:

- “We Could Be True” — Best Pop/Funk Song
- “Wait” — Best Blues Song
- Best Funk Song (2021) — global recognition

Former member of the band Milk n’ Blues, Ricardo won the A Chance Music Festival alongside harmonica player Indiara Sfair, outperforming more than 130 artists. He also performed at international festivals such as the Sherbrooke Folk & Blues Festival, in Canada.
In 2020, Ricardo released his first solo album, Iwersen, featuring 12 original tracks, solidifying his artistic identity. That same year, performed at the Curitiba Blues Festival, on the stage of Pedreira Paulo Leminski.

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In November 2020, Ricardo signed with Midas Music, the largest independent record label in Brazil, under the direction of Rick Bonadio, and released the single “Que Falta Você Faz” in 2021.
Currently, his second studio album, To Make Home, Be Home, is available on all digital platforms through Believe / Make Music Records.
For 2026, the release of a new single by the Ricardo Maranhão Trio is scheduled, produced by Tim Carmon and accompanied by a music video, continuing his original and international artistic journey.



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What You Think About Me

Produced By Tim Carmon.
Tim Carmon : Hammond Organ, Wurlitzer.





Currently, Ricardo leads the Ricardo Maranhão Trio, the current phase of his career, alongside:

- Ricardo Maranhão — Guitar and Vocals
- Hemerson Vieira — bass
- Jean Felipe Pscheidt — drums



Awards and Recognition

- **2015 — Akademia Music Awards**

  The song "We Could Be True" won the award for Best Pop/Funk Song, marking international recognition of the artist's original work.

- **2021 — Akademia Music Awards**

  The song “Wait” won the award for Best Blues Song, reinforcing its relevance in contemporary blues. In the same year, it won Best Funk Song, highlighting its artistic versatility.

- **2024 — Guitar Load Magazine**

  He was elected one of the 36 leading blues guitarists in Brazil.

Videos



Ricardo Maranhao - Studio Session with Tim Carmon (Behind The Scenes - Making of)



Ricardo Maranhao Trio In Studio with Tim Carmon (Making of)



Ricardo Maranhão - Find Your Way (Official Music Video)



Donavon Frankenreiter - Free (Live At Hard Rock Cafe Curitiba)



Ricardo Maranhao Trio - Stay With Me (Live at Curitiba Volkfest 2025)



Ricardo Maranhao - Road Made Of Tears (Official Music Video)



Ricardo Maranhão - For Years Live In Studio



Ricardo Maranhão Feat. Indiara Sfair - Wait Live in Studio



Ricardo Maranhão Trio & Indiara Sfair - Thrill Is Gone (Live at Jokers)



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