

DUTCHICAN SOUL*

Born in 1980 in The Netherlands, Niels Schroder grew up in an era heavily influenced by pop music. His love for pop and soul led him to playing drums and singing in a church choir. When he discovered house music in the early nineties his course was set. He began buying records and playing at local venues in the east of The Netherlands.

He moved into the industry as a professional in 1999, employed by major record distribution company Astral Music and he started producing music. In the late nineties, his DJ work frequently took him to clubs throughout Europe.

In 2003, Schroder studied Popular Music at the Griffith University Conservatory in Queensland, Australia, where he learned to produce music professionally. Dutchican Soul was born in that environment; he began to perform his own productions live with musicians. Never forgetting his DJ roots, he continued to play in clubs in Australia, holding down residencies in Brisbane and on the Gold Coast such as Family Nightclub, Mybar and Pressclub.

In 2005, Schroder moved back to The Netherlands and opened up his music studio in Amsterdam. One of the first labels that released his music under the Dutchican Soul moniker was Hardsoul Pressings (owned by brothers Roog and Greg van Bueren), Salted Music and Soulfuric Records. Since then, his productions have been released by labels like Strictly Rhythm, Subliminal Records, Salted Music, Peppermint Jam Records, Hardsoul Pressings, Soulfuric, Hed Kandi and many more. Schroder continued touring clubs in Germany, Morocco, the US, Australia and The Netherlands.

Currently, Schroder splits his time between Amsterdam and New York, where he continues to produce house music after a hiatus of ten years spent in Europe's tv and film industry. He released his Fire & Ice part 1 EP on Salted Music in 2018 that led to a number one position in the Singles Main Chart and House Music Top 100 at Traxsource. He was also named number 52 in the House Artists of 2018 Top 100 and was given a number 7 position in the Traxsource House Music No. 1's of 2018 chart.

Schroder's music has been played by a range of DJ's including Purple Disco Machine, Axwell, Erick Morillo, Ilyus & Barrientos, Roog, Miguel Migs, Mousse T and Brian Tappert on radio shows and in DJ sets. In the works are a string of collaborations and new productions to be released in 2019.

Starting off 2019, Schroder performed live in Club NL in Amsterdam, and has scheduled gigs at the Ultra Music Festival in Miami Beach, Florida in March and at King's Day celebrations in Amsterdam in April. Expect vibrant, energetic, funky, contagiously enthusiastic and hugely danceable sets.