

# SODADE FESTIVAL

June 16th & 17th 2018!

DE DOELEN 

## Nelson Freitas, Nancy Vieira, the Rotterdam Philharmonic Banda and more at Sodade Festival 2018!

*While enjoying Cape Verdean delicacies and a dazzling performance by Dino D 'Santiago, the Matiota Foundation and Banco Caboverdiano de Negócios announced in De Doelen on Sunday 21 January the names of the artists and acts of Sodade Festival 2018. Ticket sale for this two-day festival starts on Monday, January 22.*

The success of the first two editions led to the winning of the Rotterdam Music Award 2017 in the category 'Best Festival'. To thank all visitors and voters for this, Stichting Matiota will treat visitors to not one, but two days Sodade Festival. On Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 June visitors can enjoy all the beauty that Cape Verde has to offer culturally and musically. Since 2016, Sodade Festival annually takes place in De Doelen Rotterdam and, celebrates the musical richness of (Rotterdam) Cape Verde. A limited number of early bird tickets are available for the festival. Tickets can be purchased via [www.doelen.nl](http://www.doelen.nl) or by telephone on 010 - 217 17 17.

### International and national artists

During the weekend of 16 and 17 June visitors can expect the following national and international artists and acts: Tam Tam 2000, Roger, Timmy, Nelson Freitas, Djosinha, Ferro Gaita, Betty Fonseca, Harry Diboula, Rapaz 100 Juiz, Djocy Santos, Mirri Lobo, C4 Pedro, Johnny Ramos, Nilton Ramalho, Nancy Vieira, Atim, Dino D'Santiago and many more. A number of performances will be accompanied by the Rotterdam Philharmonic Banda.

### The face of 2018: Katchas

Carlos Alberto 'Katchas' Martins, known from Bulimundo, is this year's the face of the festival. Katchas was one of the founders of a new musical era. He brought modern electronic equipment from Europe to Cape Verde, and transformed old traditional village music, such as Funana, into modern city music. Today this music still travels around the world and is a source of inspiration for the many artists.

### Cape Verdean Nostalgia in the heart of Rotterdam

Sodade is a well-known concept in Cape Verdean society and refers to homesickness. Homesickness, experienced and passed on by the generations of Cape Verdean Rotterdammers who value music very much. Sodade is a nostalgic emotion that is difficult to explain, but can be experienced during the festival. Big names such as Boy G Mendes, Lura, Os Tubaroes, Brotherhood and Sara Tavares were on stage during the past two editions.

For more information see [www.sodadefestival.nl](http://www.sodadefestival.nl) or visit the Facebook page

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Announcement Sodade Festival: <https://youtu.be/xpOCgUDjqjs>

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[www.rotterdamfestivals.nl](http://www.rotterdamfestivals.nl).