



moreira chonguica  
is infusing south  
african jazz with 21st  
century style

**moreira project  
VIDA E JAZZY**

Mozambican born, Mother City-based saxophonist Moreira Chonguica is on a mission to inject some serious 21st century style into the South African jazz scene. And it's not just his loud 'n proud Afro that's making heads turn. Blessed with an impeccably schooled set of horn chops (yes, he's a varsity graduate), Chonguica and his Moreira Project have been striking a chord across the country with their potent Pan African salsa-funk jazz fusion. Following rave reviews for their debut CD, *The Journey*, and a headline slot at this year's Cape Town International Jazz Festival, Chonguica was recently nominated for a *Top Billing/Momentum Lifestyle* award. Website: <http://www.moreiramusic.com> — MK

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hip-hop albums ever recorded, and I am still sticking to that. Mzansi hip-hop stand up!

**MOREIRA**

*THE MOREIRA PROJECT*

Moreira is one cool-ass brother! Hailing from the streets of Maputo in Mozambique, Moreira Chonguica made the trek to Cape Town where he studied Music and Jazz at UCT's music school. If the proof is in the pudding, it is clear that Moreira's debut album proves that he really learned all the right notes during those gruelling varsity years.

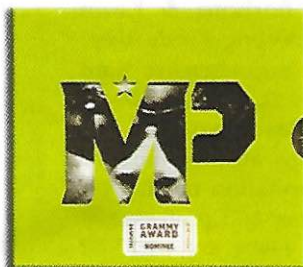
The saxophonist created a funky yet quintessentially jazz album that opens up new spheres of the genre to the discerning music lover. He has undoubtedly added a sense of youthfulness to the staid jazz scene. In the parlance of today, he has "brought sexy back to jazz".

On *The Moreira Project*, the jazz maestro introduced us to his deep world that is epitomised by the good life, ancestry, social awareness, family and friends. Moreira roped in the likes of songbird Wanda Baloyi and Grammy-nominated Najee, who both added their own interpretation of "urban cool" to the mix. ...

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**The Journey - Moreira Project Vol 1 - Mores\*t\*r**



Great jazz and easy listening from talented and upcoming Moreira Chonguica and fellow musicians. There is a whole lot of soul in this CD and the saxophone pours out notes like honey. This comes highly recommended.