

# Nic Billington releases music video for new single "You Get Me High"



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After a string of successful chart-toppers, musical accolades, a critically- acclaimed debut album and, more recently, a number one hit with "Wish You Well", Nic Billington is back serving us raspy vocals, falsetto harmonies and '80s undertones with the release of his brand-new single, "You Get Me High".

An unambiguous far cry from the singer's previous releases, "You Get Me High" sees Billington venture into a darker and more mysterious space, epitomising the personal struggles and hardships that he has faced over the years.

*" I wanted this to be my first newrelease because it's somewhat unexpected. Everything about this song is just so fresh and authentic – and it's a great representation of who I am at this moment in time," Billington explained. "*

His musical influences include Labrinth, The Weeknd and Billie Eilish. He describes the new song as edgy, hypnotic and effortless. Co-written with Paul Gala and Mia van Wyk, the songs speak about taking chances on a new relationship – despite getting hurt in the past.

The single is accompanied by a stunning monochromatic visual that artistically showcases the singer in a variety of different scenarios – each with a dark twist.

Billington adds: “I really wanted to include a few unsettling moments throughout the video to create some tension or suspense. These scenes depict the dangers that come with falling in love.”

With a career trajectory aimed for the sky, Billington’s latest offering firmly reinforces his drive.

I caught up with him last week.

■ ***The new decade means:***

Taking risks and seizing every opportunity.

■ ***Fame is about:***

Smoke and mirrors.

■ ***Retirement will happen when:***

I’m six feet under.



■ ***I don't do:***

Pretentious people or drugs.

■ ***What does music mean to you?***

Escapism.

■ ***What is the most enjoyable aspect of your work?***

I love the creative process the most.

■ ***Any funny moments on stage:***

Many. I once missed my cue because I was locked in the change room.

■ ***What is your most treasured possession?***

A signed autograph from Pamela Anderson.

■ ***It's your round, what are you drinking?***

Tequila – go hard or go home!



■ ***Dream gig to do:***

The MTV VMAs – I've been inspired by so many great VMA performances over the years.

■ ***What makes you stand out?***

I'm involved in every single aspect of my career - from music, design to video production, so it's 100% authentic.

■ ***Nicknames:***

My mom called me Poo.

■ ***If you were not a musician, what would you do?***

I would still be in the music industry, probably directing and producing music videos.

▣ ***Pick five words to describe yourself:***

Reserved, ambitious, passionate, sensitive, compassionate.

▣ ***Five favourite SA albums of all time:***

Flash Republic – *Danger*

James Deacon – *Season One*

Lebo Mathosa – *Drama Queen*

GoodLuck – *GoodLuck*

GoodLuck – *The Nature Within*

▣ ***Favourite fashion garment:***

A simple black T-shirt.

▣ ***Give us some real proper slang and what it means:***

“You get me high” means I’m head over heels in love with you.

▣ ***Top of your bucket list:***

World domination.

▣ ***What do you complain about most often?***

Johannesburg traffic. I just can’t deal!

▣ ***On stage, I tend to:***

Wear two pairs of underwear! Don’t ask.



▣ ***Where would you like to be right now?***

Iceland. I went there in 2019 and fell in love with the dramatic scenery.

▣ ***Do you do charity work and, if you do, what do you do?***

I try to bring awareness to animal cruelty. I've performed at several events to help support this cause.

▣ ***Wishes and dreams:***

World domination.

"You Get Me High" is now available on [all streaming platforms](#)

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