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Getting To Know... Francis Tural His new single 'Hold Back Your Tears' is out now

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After spending the last few months building and developing his sound, Italian-born but London-based singer and songwriter Francis Tural has now delivered his debut single 'Hold Back Your Tears'.

Drawing influence from the likes of The Weeknd, Dua Lipa, and Bruno Mars, 'Hold Back Your Tears' makes for a powerful introduction to his sound. With its bright and shimmering aesthetic mixed with an energetic pop pace, this new delight will have you tapping your toes from start to finish.

So with the new single available now, we sat down with him to find out more about his background and what has inspired him most over the years.

What was the first instrument you fell in love with?

It was the human voice. I was simply fascinated by how it could be manipulated exactly like any other instruments, creating distinctive and powerful sounds.

What kind of music did you love when you were younger?

I was into all genres of music but, when I was younger, my background was the Techno and Dance movement, which helped me develop my love and interest in experimenting and creating unique hybrid sounds.

What was the first album you remember owning?

I remember the first album I owned was the collection of Queen "Greatest Hits" my father bought me when I was 7, since he was a huge fan back in the 80s.

What is the one song you wished you could have written yourself?

"Blinding lights" by The Weeknd. I think that song is just perfect. Whenever it appears in my playlist I never skip.

Do you have any habits or rituals you go through when trying to write new music?

I usually watch a thriller movie just before I want to dig in a deep writing process. It's a habit that help my perversions and feelings flow consistently inside my brain, which is the key point when I want to write new music.

Who are your favourite artists you have found yourself listening to at the moment?

I find myself listening to various genres but I really can't miss The Weekend, Travis Scott, Kanye West and Skepta in my playlist right now.

If you could open a show for anyone in the world, who would it be?

Definitely The Weekend. It would be amazing!

What do you find is the most rewarding part about being a musician?

When I'm approaching the writing part of a song I feel like I'm a director and the movie playing in my mind needs to be codified into a music piece, which it's almost a cathartic process to me. The most rewarding part is seeing people emotions being moved in the same way mine were by my "movie".

And what is the most frustrating part?

When I just finished my new song and, listening to it, I find it super boring. I suddenly start questioning my musical skills and tastes.

And what is the best piece of advice you have received as a musician?

"Don't	overthink!"
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Francis Tural's debut single 'Hold Back Your Tears' is available to stream now. Check it out in the player below.

