

## Caro Trischler When You Know You Know

It must have been a very special moment when Caro Trischler wrote down that line: When you know you know. This expression captures the intuitive feeling of being in the right place at the right time, the deep conviction that you've found your place.

On her debut album *North e Sul* (2020), featuring carefully selected covers, Caro and her pianist, co-songwriter, and producer Ulf Kleiner managed to create a harmonious blend of jazz, soul, folk, country, and Brazilian jazz. They stayed true to this unique mix on their second album.

"How can I write songs that are as beautiful as the ones I love?" Caro asked herself, and she took her time before twelve songs were ready to record, ten of which were original compositions co-written by Trischler and Kleiner. The lyrics are by Caro, most of them in English, with two songs written in Portuguese. For her second album, she invited talented, fellow musicians, including producer and pianist Ulf Kleiner, drummer Max Jentzen, guitarist Ali Neander, bassist Hanns Höhn, guitarist Zélia Fonseca, and drummer Angela Frontera. Impressive string arrangements round out the sound on two tracks of the album.

*When You Know You Know* reflects the versatility of Caro's music. Jazz is the backbone, with clear influences from Melody Gardot, Joni Mitchell, and Steely Dan. Caro uses her diverse vocal tones to express a wide range of emotions, from quiet, intimate ballads to powerful, groovy tracks like the title song. She can sound delicate and almost fragile, then deep and dark. Her voice is anchored by her old Guild guitar and always accompanied by the warm sound of the Fender Rhodes piano, felt piano lines, and soft, subtle grooves. What she does in every facet of her music is reach and touch the audience. Her music can be comforting, like a hug, completely without calculation. "My music has to please me first; if it does, it can also reach others," she says.

And when it does resonate, the audience feels, in that moment, that they are exactly where they need to be. When You Know You Know.