

## HE BEAST FROM THE EAST

DILIAN IS MAINLY KNOWN AS A VOCALIST OF THE BULGARIAN METAL BAND SJK, THE ENGLISH BANDS NEPHWRACK, SNAKE EYES, DAY 40, AIRFORCE AND HIS OWN PROJECT KILLERA.

THE AGGRESSIVE MULTI-OCTAVE VOCAL RANGE AND SPECIFIC STYLE DEFINITELY REVEAL HIS PREFERENCES TO THE HARDER TRENDS IN HEAVY METAL.

DILIAN STARTED HIS CAREER IN 1996 WHEN HE FORMED THE HEAVY METAL BAND SJK (WHICH STANDS FOR SMOKEJACK KILL). THE FOLLOWING YEARS HAVE SEEN THE BAND MAKING HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL LIVE SHOWS AND FESTIVAL APPEARANCES.

DILIAN PRODUCED THE FIRST SJK ALBUM NAMED "EUTHANASIA" IN 1997 WRITING THE MUSIC AND LYRICS. THE ALBUM WAS HIGHLY ACLAIMED AND REVIEWED IN ITALIAN "METAL HAMMER" MAGAZINE.

THE HIGHLIGHTS IN HIS CAREER WITH SJK WERE "METAL 2000" FESTIVAL AT "ACADEMIC" STADIUM IN BULGARIA AS AN OPENING ACT FOR MOTORHEAD, THE BULGARIAN FESTIVALS "ARENA MUZIKA" 2004 AND 2005 SUPPORTING W.A.S.P. AND MEGADETH AND "KAVARNA ROCK FEST" 2007 AT "KALIAKRA" STADIUM IN BULGARIA ALONG WITH THE METAL TITANS HEAVEN AND HELL, MOTORHEAD AND MANOWAR.

DILIAN STARTED WORKING ON THE SECOND SJK'S ALBUM "THE METAL CHRONICLES - PART I" IN 2004 CO-OPERATING WITH THE AMAZING GUITAR PLAYER STEFAN STEFANOV. THE ALBUM WAS RELEASED IN 2005.

HUGE TURNING POINT FOR HIM WAS THE MOVING TO LONDON IN 2008 TO JOIN THE ENGLISH HEAVY METAL BAND NEPHWRACK. THE EP "FALL OF EMPIRES" WAS RECORDED AND RELEASED IN JUNE 2008. DILIAN AND NEPHWRACK PARTED WAYS IN 2010.

DILIAN THEN JOINED ANOTHER ENGLISH HEAVY METAL BAND CALLED SNAKE EYES IN 2010. SOON AFTER THAT HE STARTED HIS OWN PROJECT CALLED KILLERA.

DILIAN QUIT SNAKE EYES IN 2012 TO JOIN THE ENGLISH THRASH METAL BAND DAY 40 AND STARTED WORKING ON THE DEBUT ALBUM ALONG WITH THE GUITARIST DEN DIMITROV. DAY 40 RELEASED "ONLY THE STONES REMAIN" ALBUM IN 2014 AND SHOT THEIR FIRST VIDEO CALLED "NATURICIDE".

DILIAN WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED AS A FRONTMAN OF THE ENGLISH CLASSIC ROCK BAND AIRFORCE IN 2017. THE BAND REUNITED WITH THE ORIGINAL MEMBERS CHOP PIT (GUITAR), TONY HATTON (BASS) AND DOUG SAMPSON ON THE DRUMS (BEST KNOWN AS A DRUMMER FOR IRON MAIDEN FROM 1977 TO 1979). AIRFORCE RELEASED TWO EP ALBUMS - "THE BLACK BOX RECORDINGS" I & II. THE MOMENT OF GLORY FOR AIRFORCE WAS THE PARTICIPATION OF "HILLS OF ROCK" 2018 FESTIVAL IN BULGARIA SHARING THE MAIN STAGE WITH THE METAL TITANS IRON MAIDEN AND JUDAS PRIEST.

AFTER SOME HIATUS DURING THE PANDEMIC DILIAN JOINED FORCES WITH THE BULGARIAN HEAVY METAL BAND JOHN STEEL, KNOWN FOR THE ALBUMS THEY RELEASED WITH THE VOCALISTS BLAZE BAYLEY, DOOGIE WHITE AND DAVID REECE. THE BAND IS NOW WORKING ON NEW MATERIAL FOR THE NEXT ALBUM.