

SINS OF SHADOW

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THE LAST FRONTIER

Third full-length album • Released May 5, 2026

BAND OVERVIEW

Sins of Shadows is a French heavy metal studio project built around guitarist and main composer Nicolas Jacon. On its third full-length album, *The Last Frontier*, the band sharpens its sound into a more direct, compact and energetic form without abandoning the melodic and progressive elements that have defined it from the start.

Released on May 5, 2026, *The Last Frontier* features Tasos Lazaris on vocals, Sébastien Normand on bass, Rodolphe Plachesi on drums and Nicolas Jacon on guitars. The album combines the drive of the NWOBHM, the melodic ambition of power and progressive metal, and a heavier rhythmic edge inspired by bands such as Megadeth and Testament. Twin-guitar harmonies and an intentionally lively, less over-polished production give the record a classic heavy-metal spirit while retaining a modern impact.



Release date: May 5, 2026

Running time: 37:15

Vocals: Tasos Lazaris

Guitars / composition: Nicolas Jacon

Bass / production / mix / mastering: Sébastien Normand · Aedonia Productions

Drums: Rodolphe Plachesi

PRESS REACTION

*“Nine tracks. No filler. Just a band firing on all cylinders, planting a flag somewhere new, and *The Last Frontier* burns with passion that feels genuinely earned.”*

— **Heavy Music HQ** · 4/5

*“*The Last Frontier* is crossing the finish line as a hot contender for the coveted ‘Album of the Year’ title.”*

— **Hellfire Magazin** · 9.5/10

*“*The Last Frontier* is a powerful album that showcases the versatility and craftsmanship of Sins of Shadows.”*

— **Kevy Metal** · Album of the Week

*“*The Last Frontier* is a strong album that puts the versatility and the skill of Sins of Shadows to the test.”*

— **Metal Underground Austria**

BIOGRAPHY

Short bio

Sins of Shadows is a French heavy metal studio project founded in 2013 by guitarist Nicolas Jacon and vocalist Elena Peñalver (ex-Ink City). After two EPs, *Be* (2014) and *Today's the Day* (2016), bassist Sébastien Normand joined the project in 2018 for the recording of the debut album *The Master's Way*. Drummer Rodolphe Plachesi later completed the core line-up. The second album, *Imperium*, featured guest vocalist Eric Castiglia, while subsequent singles included collaborations with Craig Cairns (Tailgunner) and Henning Basse (Metalium, ex-Firewind). The third album, *The Last Frontier*, was released in May 2026 with Tasos Lazaris on vocals.

Full bio

Created in France in 2013, Sins of Shadows began as the collaboration of guitarist/composer Nicolas Jacon and vocalist Elena Peñalver. The project first took shape through the EPs *Be* (2014) and *Today's the Day* (2016), before expanding with bassist Sébastien Normand in 2018. This line-up recorded *The Master's Way*, the band's first full-length album, establishing a style rooted in traditional heavy metal but open to progressive structures, melodic guitar work and a darker rhythmic edge.

With drummer Rodolphe Plachesi joining the project, Sins of Shadows followed with *Imperium*, featuring Eric Castiglia as guest vocalist. More conceptual and introspective, the album continued to develop the band's heavy/progressive identity.

The years that followed brought further collaborations, including "Awake" with Craig Cairns (Tailgunner) and "Forever Free" with Henning Basse (Metalium, ex-Firewind). These releases bridged the gap toward the band's third album, *The Last Frontier*.

Released on May 5, 2026 and featuring Tasos Lazaris on vocals, *The Last Frontier* deliberately favors shorter, clearer and more immediate songs. Its production aims to retain the energy and small imperfections of a live performance rather than pursuing an excessively polished modern-metal sound. The result is a concise heavy-metal record driven by riffs, twin-guitar melodies and strong vocal hooks.

DISCOGRAPHY

Release	Type	Year / running time
Be	EP	2014
Today's the Day	EP	2016
The Master's Way	Album	2018 · 42:47
Imperium	Album	2020 · 53:39
The Last Frontier	Album	2026 · 37:15

MUSIC & VIDEO

Spotify: <https://open.spotify.com/intl-fr/artist/4BURfWxkVahALrSdEFJwcN>

Apple Music: <https://music.apple.com/fr/artist/sins-of-shadows/1510375225>

Bandcamp: <https://sinsofshadows.bandcamp.com/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@n.sinsofshadows826>

Latest music video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CvfhwVw1YyY>

KEY FACTS

- Origin: France
- Formed: 2013
- Genre: Heavy Metal
- Current format: studio project
- Core musicians: Nicolas Jacon · Sébastien Normand · Rodolphe Plachesi
- The Last Frontier vocals: Tasos Lazaris
- For fans of: Iron Maiden · Iced Earth · Symphony X · Judas Priest · Megadeth · Testament

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