From the dancefloors of his hometown Breda to the stages of the world’s largest festivals, **Hardwell** has built a long-lasting legacy as a DJ, producer, remixer, label boss, filmmaker, and philanthropist. Revered as a pioneer and innovator, the Dutch electronic titan has left an indelible mark on the global music scene with a career defined by reinvention and ambition.

Emerging from the Netherlands' fertile club scene, **Hardwell's** journey began at 14, signing his first record deal before skyrocketing into global consciousness. By 25, he had been crowned the **World’s #1 DJ twice**, in 2013 and 2014, at the height of the EDM boom. Yet, even as he helped define that era, Hardwell always stood apart, his music driven by a deeper creative impulse than mere trends.

His catalogue features a string of era-defining anthems, ranging from euphoric big-room classics like **‘Spaceman,’ ‘Apollo,’ and ‘Run Wild’** to cross-genre collaborations with global icons such as **Craig David**, **Jay Sean, Austin Mahone,** and **Jason Derulo**. Hardwell has also delivered standout remixes for musical powerhouses like **Rihanna, Calvin Harris, Moby, Ellie Goulding, U2, J Balvin,** and **Coldplay**. Despite his genre-crossing versatility, Hardwell has always stayed rooted in his electronic foundations, frequently teaming up with DJ contemporaries and close collaborators such as **Armin van Buuren, Dimitri Vegas & Like Mike, Steve Aoki, Afrojack,** and **Tiësto.**

In 2015, his debut album ***United We Are*** pushed the boundaries of electronic music, achieving critical acclaim and charting globally. The album laid the foundation for two groundbreaking world tours under the **I Am Hardwell** banner between 2014 and 2016. **Spanning 62 shows across 21 countries**, the tours drew nearly a million fans to iconic venues like **Madison Square Garden** and **London's Brixton Academy**. These tours showcased **Hardwell** not just as a DJ, but as a storyteller; an artist who viewed every performance as an opportunity to connect, inspire, and uplift.

Yet, for all his success, Hardwell is a restless spirit. In 2018, after more than a decade of relentless touring, he took an unexpected sabbatical to recalibrate - a pivotal pause in his career. Before temporarily stepping out of the limelight, the seasoned veteran gave fans a memorable farewell with a special one-off concert at the **Ziggo** **Dome** during **Amsterdam Dance Event**. Collaborating live with the **Metropole Orkest Symphony, Hardwell** delivered an explorative journey through dance music history, seamlessly merging the worlds of pop, jazz, and electronic music.

When Hardwell returned in 2022 with a surprise headline performance at **Ultra Miami,** he reemerged as an artist reborn. His sophomore album, ***REBELS NEVER DIE***, marked a creative evolution: a bold and uncompromising body of work that fused hard-edged nostalgia with forward-thinking sound design. Tracks like **‘BROKEN MIRROR’** and **‘INTO THE UNKNOWN’** showcased Hardwell's ability to distil raw emotion into seismic dancefloor moments.

The album's accompanying 20-date world tour became another milestone in his career, featuring sold-out shows across continents. Highlights included a triumphant homecoming at **Amsterdam’s Ziggo Dome** and standout performances at **Ultra Europe in Croatia, Atlas Arena in Poland, Soundstorm in Saudi Arabia, Untold Festival in Romania, Ushuaïa Ibiza, Creamfields,** and **Tomorrowland,** where he captivated audiences across multiple weekends.

Hardwell’s presence as a headliner on the world’s biggest stages has made him a fixture at iconic festivals such as **Lollapalooza, Coachella, EDC Las Vegas, Creamfields,** and **Tomorrowland.** A pioneer in pushing the boundaries of live performance, Hardwell became the first DJ to play solo events at **Germany’s Hockenheim circuit** and the **Formula 1 podium** at the **Mexican Grand Prix**. Despite his global reach, Hardwell has stayed deeply connected to the club scene, headlining iconic venues such as **Ministry of Sound** and **Green Valley**, while holding residencies at **Hakkasan Las Vegas, Ushuaïa Ibiza**, and **Macau’s** **Club Cubic** - the latter marking a historic first for a Western DJ.

In parallel with his performance resurgence, Hardwell’s stylistic evolution continued in 2023. Collaborations with luminaries like **Afrojack, Space 92, Maddix, Nicky Romero, Timmy Trumpet** or hardstyle juggernauts **Sub Zero Project** underscored his versatility, while electrifying remixes for **David Guetta/Benny Benassi** and **Calvin Harris/Ellie Goulding** reaffirmed his place as a studio visionary. Whether revisiting classics like **4Strings' ‘Take Me Away’** or reimaging He also reimagined **Tomcraft's** iconic 2002 hit**'Loneliness'**, Hardwell's sound remained as unpredictable as it was infectious.

After a hiatus of two and a half years, 2023 marked the return of his **Hardwell On Air** radio show. For a decade, until its pause in January 2021, **Hardwell On Air** was a cornerstone of the electronic dance music scene, garnering a massive following, championing new music, and spotlighting emerging talent. The decision to relaunch the show followed immense anticipation and growing demand from listeners eager to hear **Hardwell** back on the airwaves. Now broadcast on FM stations worldwide, the show is also available to stream on [**Hardwell's YouTube channel**](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPT5Q93YbgJ_7du1gV7UHQQ)**,** and recently ranked the **3rd most popular dance Radio Show Of 2024** according to 1001Tracklists A State Of Dance Music 2024 report.

The momentum continued in 2024 as the electronic music community celebrated further releases like **‘16’, ‘XTC’, ‘I’m The Devil’**, and the vocal-driven, bass-heavy techno anthem **‘No Sleep’ with Sarah de Warren**. Other highlights included a remix of **David** **Guetta** & **OneRepublic's** **'I Don't Wanna Wait'** via **Warner Music**, an electrifying edit of **Nifra** and **2 Unlimited's 'Control Your Body’** and crafting a future anthem with hardstyle legend **Outsiders**. He also reunited with **Armin van Buuren** on their long-anticipated second studio project, **'Follow The Light’.**

In 2024, **Hardwell** collaborated with **Apple** to release a free sample pack for producers, available via **GarageBand** and **Logic Pro**. The pack aims to inspire aspiring artists and producers, enhancing their musical creativity and skills.

With **over 8.2 million Facebook followers, 7 million X followers, 5 million Instagram followers,** **6 million monthly Spotify listeners**, and **1.3 billion YouTube views**, Hardwell stands as one of the most influential and widely recognized artists in electronic music. A trailblazer in live streaming, his record-breaking sets, such as his 2012 **Tomorrowland** performance, which famously crashed servers, and his 2013 **Ultra Music Festival** set, with **over 35 million views,** have become iconic moments in dance music history. Among his many accolades, Hardwell has earned an **MTV European Music Award**, **multiple International Dance Music Awards, two World** **#1 DJ titles**, and honours like **‘Best Global DJ’** and **‘Best Electro House DJ,’** cementing his place as one of the most decorated figures in the scene.

Hardwell’s influence also extends to his label, **Revealed Recordings**. A launchpad for countless rising stars, the imprint also serves as a platform for Hardwell's creative vision, including its **milestone 1000th release**, **‘Move’**, a euphoric collaboration with **KAAZE**. Meanwhile, his philanthropic efforts - such as the **World's** **Biggest Guestlist concerts**, funded the education of over 120,000 children in India.

In recent years, Hardwell’s notable performances have not only loomed large at **Ultra’s Miami** festival, but also at its worldwide editions, including **Australia, Bali, Taiwan, Peru, Chile, and Europe**. He has also headlined festivals such as **Untold Dubai, Balaton Sound, Dreambeach, Mysteryland, Medusa Festival, Sunburn Festival,** and **Storm Festival**, along with a celebrated return to **Tomorrowland Brasil.** Iconic venues such as **New York’s Brooklyn Mirage, Cavo Paradiso, Vancouver’s Harbour Convention Centre, Chicago’s TAO Nightclub,** and **Brazil's Laroc Club** have also been popular fixtures in his globe-straddling gig schedule.

As 2025 unfolds, with new music on the horizon, the monthly broadcast of his ‘**Hardwell Presents Euphoria’** show on **Tomorrowland’s One World Radio**, and a run of confirmed shows at **Ultra Miami, A Summer Story, Aura Festival, Electronic Love Festival, Airbeat One Festival, Medusa Festival,** and **Parookavile,** Hardwell continues to demonstrate an unrelenting drive to push boundaries.

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