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Swedish metal eminence SOILWORK was spawned in Helsingbor in 1995. Following two highly acclaimed albums (*Steel Bath Suicide* debutin 1998 & *The Chainheart Machine* in 1999) on Listenable Records, SOILWORK joined the Nuclear Blast roster in 2001, releasing a new bombshell each year and touring aggressively in North America, Europe, Australia, and Japan.

The band’s unique blend of melodic metal developed at a staggering rate, most notably on the Devin Townsend-produced *Natural Born Chaos* (2002), the first SOILWORK recording to fully display founding member and vocal maestro Björn “Speed” Strid’s knack for majestic melodies. The album also saw the arrival of keyboard virtuoso Sven Karlsson. In 2005, SOILWORK was joined by drummer extraordinaire Dirk Verbeuren and released *Stabbing The Drama,* a landmark release highlighted by an 18-month world tour and a spot on that year’s edition of Ozzfest alongside headliners Black Sabbath and Iron Maiden.

Despite a few line-up shuffles, SOILWORK and their iconic long-time bassist Ola Flink continued to conquer fans worldwide, recording two more outstanding albums: 2007’s *Sworn To A Great Divide* & 2010’s *The Panic Broadcast*. After touring relentlessly alongside bands such as Lamb of God and Killswitch Engage to support those releases, a new guitar tandem Sylvain Coudret and David Andersson came on board in 2012.  SOILWORK spent eight months writing and recording *The Living Infinite,* the first double album in melodic death metal history.  Adventurous yet true to the band’s identity, this Jens Bogren-produced, twenty-song powerhouse is the ultimate proof that SOILWORK are true masters of their art. The album saw an international march of triumph, gaining world-wide chart recognition, entering the Top 20 in Finland, Germany, Switzerland and their native Sweden!

In March 2015, SOILWORK released a very special Live DVD: *Live In The Heart Of Helsinki*which was recorded on March 21, 2014 at Circus, Helsinki – Finland has been a second home to the band for many years now, so the choice of the venue was an obvious one. Highlights of the career spanning live set without a doubt are the guest performances by friends Floor Jansen (Nightwish, ReVamp) and Nathan J. Biggs (Sonic Syndicate). SOILWORK is scheduled to release their new album and tour with label mates Overkill in Fall 2015.

# MUSICIANS

Bjorn “Speed” Strid  – Lead Vocals **§**  Ola Flink  – Bass **§** Dirk Verbeuren – Drums
Sven Karlsson - Keyboards **§** Sylvain Coudret – Lead/Rhythm Guitar
David Andersson – Lead/Rhythm Guitar

# DISCOGRAPHY

Live In Helsinki, 2015 (DVD + Double-Disc)

*The Living Inifinite,* 2013 *(Double-Disc)* **§** *The Panic Broadcast,* 2010 *Sworn To A Great Divide,* 2007**§** *Stabbing the Drama*, 2005 *Figure Number Five*, 2003 **§** *Natural Born Chaos*, 2002 **§** *A Predator's Portrait,* 2001
*The Chainheart Machine*, 2000**§** *Steelbath Suicide*,1998

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