

Shallipopi News

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Crown Uzama (Shallipopi)

Nationality: Nigerian.

Crown Uzama, popularly known as Shallipopi, is a rising star in the Nigerian music scene. He shot to fame in 2023 with his hit single "Elon Musk," which marked a significant milestone in his career. Following this success, he released his extended play, Planet Pluto, also in 2023. His debut studio album, Presido La Pluto, achieved remarkable commercial success, debuting at number one on the TurnTable Top 50 and topping the Apple Music Top 100 albums chart. In 2024, his second studio album, Shakespopi, further solidified his status, with the track "ASAP" reaching the top of the TurnTable Top 100.

In 2025, Shallipopi kicked off the year with a bang by releasing his new single "Laho" on February 21. This track marks his first official release under Plutomania Records, his independent label. The song has made a significant impact, debuting at #17 on the Global Shazam Chart and topping the charts in ten African countries on Apple Music, where it secured a top 3 position. The accompanying music video, directed by Perliks Definition, showcases Shallipopi's luxurious and street-wise themes. It features striking visuals, including Shallipopi on a rooftop, exuding confidence as he delivers the song's standout "Desperado" line while surrounded by stacks of dollar bills bearing his face. The viral dance associated with "Laho" has also gained traction, driven by energetic moves and appearances from his brothers, Zerry DL and Famous Pluto.



Career Highlights

2015–2023: Early Beginnings and Breakthrough

Shallipopi began his musical journey in 2015 by sharing freestyles on TikTok and other social media platforms. His debut single, "Gra Gra," was released in late 2021, followed by tracks like "Power" and "Shaka" in 2022. His breakthrough came with "Elon Musk" in March 2023, a sleeper hit that led to the release of "Sharpiru" shortly after. A remix featuring Zlatan was released in May 2023, gaining traction in both the U.S. and Europe.

In June 2023, Shallipopi was named a featured artist in Apple Music's Up Next program in Nigeria. He continued to release successful tracks, including another "Elon Musk" remix featuring Fireboy DML and "Ex Convict," which debuted at number six on the TurnTable Top 100. His debut EP, Planet Pluto, was released on July 14, 2023, featuring collaborations with artists like Zlatan and Fireboy DML.



2024–Present: Continued Success

On February 9, 2024, Shallipopi collaborated on The Real Prechly's track "A Collision of Two Worlds 2.0." He released his second album, Shakespopi, on April 11, 2024, which debuted at number one on the TurnTable Top 100 Albums. Notable collaborations followed, including features on King Promise's "Continental" and Rema's "Benin Boys," the latter achieving over a million streams on its first day.

In July 2024, he performed at the UK Wireless Festival, showcasing his growing influence in the music industry.



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Legal Issues

In May 2023, Shallipopi, along with his manager and others, was arrested by the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) for alleged internet-related fraud. They were convicted on June 23, 2023, receiving a two-year prison sentence, which included an option for a fine..

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