THE CREATIVE SELFIE



THE BRAND

Brand: Desperados

Opco: HEINEKEN The Netherlands Marketing Director: Jan Bosselaers

Brand In A Bottle:



Core creative brand idea: We enjoy life more when letting go control. DSP ignites the vibe, the spirit .To just live it up, let loose and embrace epic moments. DSP, through latin vibe turns mundane into cool The brand unleashes the latin vibe that infects everybody and puts them in an exciting mood.

Market Context:

- Main Goal: is to drive meaningfulness to grow from build to growth stage
- Challenge: currently consumers don't know where the brand stands for (see JTBD)
- Limited resources for full campaign: €45K

THE CAMPAIGN

Campaign name: Desperados - The head of Latin Vibe

Launch date: 1st of May

Formats: PR campaign (PR message, website with "head of latin vibe vacancy", vacancy platform), influencer / content creator on social media,

festival social media channels

Job To Be Done: Get 40K18+ Gen-Y&Z consumers to choose Desperados instead of lagers and adjacent categories (RTD's, cocktails) for looking and feeling good moments of connecting and celebrating, by overcoming the BARRIERS that:

- Consumers don't know what the brand stands for
- Desperados does not come to mind for these moments

Insight: in an uncertain world with a lot of pressure, we chase a bit of control and overthink, however we miss out on the real fun that happens when I let go. Festivals represent freedom and fun. But with rising prices, even that escape is slipping away.

Communications objective:

Building meaningful differentiation: by telling GenZ/Y our brand story to build the right associations (connect & celebrate, lift my mood, having a good time)

Campaign strategy and creative idea:

- Strategy: To strengthen Desperados' position as the No. 1 party drink for GenZ/Y, the brand brought its Latin vibe to life through a influencer first campaign putting the target group at the centre of the campaign fusing trends, culture, fun and authenticity.
- Creative idea: "Desperados' Head of Latin Vibe." Desperados gave fans the chance to turn their mundane job into a dream job! Through PR/influencer campaign, the brand launched a festival vacancy for the Head of Latin Vibe: someone who lives and spreads the Latin Vibe at festivals, creates content and gets free access to all festivals. After the PR-campaign influencers were looking for their own Latin Vibe crew for different festivals. The creators encouraging followers to apply by showing their inner Latin vibe on socials, triggering UGC

MWBs: MwB 4 and MwB 9

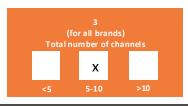
Demand Space: Connect & Celebrate

Creative Commitment:









Campaign assets: Europe Creative Council 2025 - Documents - Campaign Assets - All Documents

TESTING & RESULTS

Kantar pre-/during-campaign testing: Map all testing results for this cam and include M/D/S scores

Meaningfulness the character of the campaign

No pre-test due to the character of the campaign

Shortly describe key optimisations based on pre-testing, if available.

Overall brand power results

- +0,2 Brand Power, +2 Meaning, +3 Difference (YTD Q3 '25 vs YTD Q3 '24, 18+)
- +2 'For Connecting, +3 'For Having a Good Time' (YTD Q3 '25 vs YTD Q3 '24, 18+)

Campaign results

126 pieces of online coverage / 9.65m PR & influencer impressions. Paid influencers delivered strong reach (347k) and engagement rate (index 120 v.s benchmark), while non-paid influencers contributed valuable visibility and additional content.