

TOM JONES

TOURING AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND 2010 With Hello Sailor and The Lady Killers

The Frontier Touring Company and Roundhouse Entertainment are pleased to announce Tom Jones will be touring in 2010 for a series of indoor and A Day On The Green winery concerts.

In his native Wales, he is known as "Jones the Voice". Today, he is one of the enduring personalities in the music entertainment business. His unique vocal power, ability and charismatic persona make him one of the most respected, admired and loved performers in modern popular music.

Tom has sustained his popularity for more than four decades. Born Thomas Jones Woodward in Pontypridd, South Wales, Great Britain on June 7, 1940, his father worked the coalmines of the Rhondda Valley, while his mother tended the house and the two children. After marrying at 17, Tom went on to sign with Decca Records in London.

Tom has a fundamental interest in a wide range of musical expression. Although he is best known for hits including Kiss, Delilah and If I Only Knew he is first and foremost a rocker with a true rhythm and blues soul. Tom was involved in Martin Scorsese's Red White & Blues series; in 2000 he released the multi-million seller *Reload*, the most successful album of his career, and in 2004 an album of big band songs with Jools Holland in the UK.

His 40-year career has seen highlights including receiving a BRIT Award for Outstanding Contribution to Music, a Silver Clef Award for Lifetime Achievement and appearing as himself in hit US comedy *The Simpsons*. Other film roles have included parts in *Mars Attacks!* and *Agnes Brown*.

Tom was knighted by Her Majesty the Queen in 2006 and enjoys a consistent touring schedule throughout the year. His latest musical offering, **24 Hours** (Liberator December 4 2009), and was co-written by Tom himself – with many of the tracks being an insightful reflection of his life thus far. The album also includes "Sugar Daddy" which was specially penned for Tom by U2's Bono, and a re-make of Bruce Springsteen's "The Hitter".

Tom Jones is renowned for the quality of his live performance.

"Few performers can keep up with Tom Jones. His sold out show...left little doubt that Jones is a man who knows how to live. Screaming females don't dominate his audience nowadays....there seemed to be as many guys on hand looking to absorb a bit of his mojo" *Boston Herald*

"The audience—a mix of ages and seemingly spanning the spectrum from true believers to ironists—was eager to be taken for a ride, or maybe be just run over. And so we were. Wham, bam, thank you, sir!!" *Vanity Fair*

"Jones' show is remarkable for its sheer relentlessness...42 years after his first Vegas gig at the Flamingo, he's still got it. But this is not an oldies show [and] his voice is as powerful as ever, maybe more so. [He] gives the people what he knows they want—but on his time and his terms. When it's all over, you leave knowing you've been in the still-vital presence of the real lion king." *Las Vegas Sun*

Tom last visited New Zealand in 2008 for a headline performance at The Mission in Napier but this is his first tour of New Zealand for close to ten years.

Tom has always enjoyed popularity in New Zealand with all generations, and with an enviable live concert reputation, tickets for the tour will be in hot demand!

Joining Tom on stage are the quintessential kiwi iconic band Hello Sailor and female icons The Lady Killers.

Hello Sailor is thrilled to be performing at Villa Maria as support act for the legendary Tom Jones.

The band these days features a six-piece line-up that includes Hello Sailor's three founding members, Graham Brazier, Dave McCartney and Harry Lyon, with long-time drummer Rick Ball, bass player Paul Woolright and Stuart Pearce on piano.

Harry Lyon says, "We love the Sailor gigs because we only play when we want to and it makes it special. We're all such firm friends, so when we get together it's just a great time and I think the gigs reflect that. I know we're all really looking forward to supporting Tom Jones at a venue we know our audience will enjoy.

The band has been in Roundhead Studios recently recording tracks for an album planned for release next year. 2010 will be the band's 35th anniversary and they want to celebrate with the release of some new material and some select shows.

To welcome the audience, first up on stage is The Lady Killers, a dream team of New Zealand's finest female singers and entertainers. Tina Cross, Suzanne Lynch, Jackie Clark and Taisha make up this legendary group of singing divas.

The Lady Killers act is sophisticated, glamorous and sure to dazzle on stage in the lead up to what will definitely be a magnificent night of entertainment with their co-stars Hello Sailor and Mr Tom Jones.

Every ticket purchased will include a copy of Tom Jones' new album 24 Hours.

Tickets are on sale 7 December 2009. Please visit frontiertouring.com for pre-sale information.

"24 Hours" is in stores December 4 through Liberator.

TOM JONES TOUR – AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND 2010

Sunday 21 February Auckland – A Day On The Green, Villa Maria Estate

Ticketmaster 0800 111 999 or www.ticketmaster.co.nz

Monday 22 February Wellington – Michael Fowler Centre

Ticketek 0800 842 538 or www.ticketek.co.nz

Wednesday 24 February Dunedin – Dunedin Town Hall

Ticket Direct 0800 4 TICKET or www.ticketdirect.co.nz

Thursday 25 February Christchurch – Westpac Arena

Ticketek 0800 842 538 or www.ticketek.co.nz

Saturday 27 February Hunter Valley – A Day On The Green, Bimbadgen Estate

Ticketmaster 136 100 or www.ticketmaster.com.au

Sunday 28 February Brisbane – A Day On The Green, Sirromet Wines

Ticketmaster 136 100 or www.ticketmaster.com.au

Wednesday 3 March Sydney – Sydney Entertainment Centre

Ticketmaster 136 100 or www.ticketmaster.com.au

Thursday 4 March Wollongong – WIN Entertainment Centre

Ticketek 132 849 or www.ticketek.com.au

Saturday 6 March Clare Valley – A Day On The Green, Annies Lane

Ticketmaster 136 100 or www.ticketmaster.com.au

Sunday 7 March Yarra Valley – A Day On The Green, Rochford Wines

Ticketmaster 136 100 or www.ticketmaster.com.au

Monday 8 March Launceston – A Day On The Green, Josef Chromy Wines

Ticketmaster 136 100 or www.ticketmaster.com.au

Thursday 11 March Melbourne – Rod Laver Arena

Ticketek 132 849 or www.ticketek.com.au

Saturday 13 March Rutherglen – A Day On The Green, All Saints Estate
Ticketmaster 136 100 or www.ticketmaster.com.au

Sunday 14 March Swan Valley – A Day On The Green, Sandalford Wines
Ticketmaster 136 100 or www.ticketmaster.com.au

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