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# **JOE COCKER**

# AUSTRALIAN TOUR 2011 With Special Guest GEORGE THOROGOOD

It is a phrase which is ridiculously over-used, but not in this case. When it comes to true music legends **JOE COCKER** OBE please stand up.

Get ready for double trouble when Joe Cocker returns to Australia in February, accompanied by his special guests, the master of the slide guitar, and truly bad-to-the-bone GEORGE THOROGOOD and his Destroyers.

This dream team pairing of gritty R&B, blues and soul legends will be an early 2011 musical highlight for audiences, returning for indoor concerts and **a day on the green** winery events.

Not only is Cocker one of the most successful and popular singers of the last four decades, he is also one of music's most loved and most respected. This Grammy, Golden Globe and Academy Award winning artist has 21 studio and four live albums under his belt, his unmistakable bluesy soul voice a musical trademark in its own right. The Sheffield-born singer has always been a huge favourite with Australian audiences.

Cocker will be performing songs from his new album 'Hard Knocks' in addition to the many gems in his illustrious back catalogue like 'You Can Leave Your Hat On', 'Unchain My Heart', 'Up Where We Belong', 'The Letter' and 'You Are So Beautiful'. After 40 years, Cocker remains one of rock's pre-eminent survivors and a must-see live performer.

Special guest support artist is GEORGE THOROGOOD and the Destroyers. The blues/rock specialist has sold more than 15 million albums worldwide, amassing an enviable reputation and loyal following for his scorching live performances.

For the **a day on the green** concerts, Australia's own blues/soul/rock master DIESEL joins the bill, as does our first country rock/roots band THE DINGOES, who have reunited after 30 years with the album 'Tracks', an induction into the ARIA Hall of Fame and a return to the road.

The tour continues **a day on the green**'s stellar 10<sup>th</sup> birthday season.

#### A DAY ON THE GREEN SHOWS:

Saturday February 5 ROCHFORD WINES, YARRA VALLEY VIC
Sunday February 6 LECONFIELD WINES, McLAREN VALE SA
Saturday February 12 BIMBADGEN ESTATE, HUNTER VALLEY NSW
CENTENNIAL VINEYARDS, BOWRAL NSW
Saturday February 19 SIR JAMES MITCHELL PARK, SOUTH PERTH WA

# **ON SALE FRIDAY NOVEMBER 26**

Through Ticketmaster 136 100 & <a href="www.ticketmaster.com.au">www.ticketmaster.com.au</a>
For all event information, go to <a href="www.adayonthegreen.com.au">www.adayonthegreen.com.au</a>

### **MICHAEL COPPEL PRESENTS SHOWS:**

Tuesday February 1 CONVENTION CENTRE, CAIRNS QLD

Wednesday February 2 ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE, TOWNSVILLE QLD Friday February 4 ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE, BRISBANE QLD

Tuesday February 8 PALAIS THEATRE, MELBOURNE VIC

Thursday February 10 ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE, SYDNEY NSW

Tuesday February 15 DERWENT ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE, HOBART TAS

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