SCOTT DOONICAN : ONE MAN SHOW

As the charismatic frontman of the UK's hardest-working comedy band, *'The Bar-Steward Sons of Val Doonican'*, Scott Doonican is a flamboyant, debonair and theatrical performer with a superb head of hair and more style than you could shake a Milan Fashion Week catwalk at.

As a solo performer, Scott Doonican's *"One Man Show"* is every bit as funny, energetic and engaging as his performances when accompanied by his band of brothers. Equally at home entertaining festival crowds, captivating a theatre audience or holding court down the pub, Scott Doonican is a natural storyteller, entertainer and consummate showman.

Performing songs from The Bar-Steward Sons' extensive back catalogue, Scott strips things back to the bare essentials: deftly delivered on his battered 'Workhorse' acoustic guitar, with his little ukulele in his hand, or even on his infamous brown 1981 Suzuki Omnichord. The arrangements may be stripped-back, but the entertainment certainly isn't.

With the songs taking centre stage, audiences get a chance to enjoy the Doonicans' side-splitting song-smithery in its rawest form, served-up with an abundance of wonderfully woven yarns, amusing anecdotes and charmingly honest insights behind the lyrics. Throw in a shed-load of audience participation, scintillating singalongs and a few unexpected diversions, and you've got all the ingredients for a thoroughly cracking night out.

Following, in the footsteps of his comedy-folk heroes (Mike Harding, Richard Digance, Jake Thackeray, Jasper Carrott, Billy Connolly, et al), Scott's on a mission to bring comedy-folk back to the masses for the 21st Century. After two decades of bringing smiles and belly-laughs to audiences across the UK; from Barnsley to Barnstaple, from Glasgow to Glastonbury Festival, he continues to wow audiences with a veritable jukebox of comedy songs. Expect a generous helping of The Bar-Steward Sons' greatest hits, alongside deep cuts, hidden gems and fan favourites plucked from the Doonicans' dazzling discography. There's always something for the die-hard Doonifan and the uninitiated alike.

With almost 1500 shows under his belt to date, Scott Doonican is driven by the desire to leave his audiences with a big grin on their faces. He subscribes to the same wise words of his spiritual father, Val Doonican, that, *"When you entertain the public, it's no good just having good music*

or singing, you must also have entertainment value, so people will go home having a good time".

Wise words, indeed. But can Scott Doonican be trusted? With a microphone, absolutely. With an audience, undoubtedly. With the responsibility of behaving? Hell no!

Scott Doonican is a one-man variety show with the brakes removed: gloriously unpredictable, musically mischievous and never knowingly sensible. He can’t wait to turn up, turn things delightfully upside down and leave everyone wondering quite what they've just witnessed – but absolutely certain they've had a bloody brilliant time.

