

IT'S CONFIRMED...

GEORGE MICHAEL LIVE

Legendary superstar **GEORGE MICHAEL** has officially announced that he will perform in Melbourne on **Wednesday 3rd March 2010 at Etihad Stadium**. Tickets will go on sale on Wednesday 16 December from www.ticketmaster.com.au or 136 100.

This extra date has been added to the **GEORGE MICHAEL LIVE** Australian tour which was announced last week. Originally a Melbourne date could not be scheduled due to venue availability. After further discussions, Etihad Stadium has confirmed today a suitable date has been made available and **GEORGE MICHAEL** will perform there on **WEDNESDAY 3 MARCH**.

The GEORGE MICHAEL LIVE tour will see George perform live in Australia for the first time since 1988!

Australian promoter Paul Dainty said "It is thrilling to bring George Michael to Australia again and we are extremely pleased a date has become available at Etihad Stadium. George last toured here on the Faith tour in 1988 so it's been a very long time since his fans have seen him. He is a consummate performer and will deliver a stunning show to his fans who have waited 22 years to see him perform in Australia."

Nicholas Sautner, General Manager Commercial Business at Etihad Stadium adds "We are ecstatic Etihad Stadium is able to provide a suitable date to host George Michael in his only Melbourne concert. We have a diverse schedule of sports and entertainment events to start the 10-year celebrations of the Stadium and are delighted that George Michael will feature as part of the festivities. Both venue management and Paul Dainty have worked tirelessly to overcome the logistical challenges existing as a result of our calendar of events to deliver George Michael to his Melbourne fans."

George will perform material taken from the entire span of his career, including classic **Wham!** tracks.

When George first announced his 25 Live Tour in 2007 tickets, were snapped up in minutes. The critically acclaimed tour saw George perform in front of over 2 million people worldwide with a 49 date 25 Live Arena Tour and a 30 date 25 Live Stadium Tour. In summer 2008, George took his 25 Live Tour to arenas across North America touring North America for the first time in 20 years. In London alone, 350,000 people collectively watched him performing in Earls Court, Wembley Arena, The Roundhouse and the newly renovated Wembley Stadium, where he made musical history as the first artist to perform at the momentous venue in June 2007.

George Michael has enjoyed one of the most successful and enduring careers in the history of pop music, selling more than **100 million records globally** and encompassing **six US No. 1 singles, a Grammy award, three American Music Awards, an MTV Video Music Award and two prestigious Ivor Novello awards for song writing**. His record "Faith" has sold over 20 million copies alone. In addition, Michael has garnered **11 British No. 1 singles** and **eight British No. 1 albums**. He recently was declared the most played British artist on radio over the course of the last 20 years.

For more information about George Michael, please visit www.georgemichael.com

Perth ME Bank Stadium Saturday 20 February

On sale **9am Tuesday 8 December**
ticketmaster.com.au or 136 100

Sydney Football Stadium Friday 26 February

On sale **9am Tuesday 8 December**
ticketek.com.au or 132 849

Melbourne Etihad Stadium Wednesday 3 March

On sale **9am Wednesday 16 December**
ticketmaster.com.au or 136 100

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Dainty Consolidated Entertainment (DCE) is recognised as one of the most influential players in Australia's booming entertainment industry, presenting, producing and investing in world class concerts, theatrical productions and special events. Since the beginning of this decade more than 5 million Australians have attended a DCE event.

DCE has consistently delivered a first class touring experience and highly tailored promotional campaigns to some of the world's leading artists, including: Pink Floyd; The Rolling Stones; U2; Paul McCartney; Prince; George Michael; Neil Diamond; Guns N Roses; k.d. lang; David Bowie; Michael Bubl  and Bon Jovi. DCE is currently coproducing the award winning musical Jersey Boys currently playing at Melbourne's Princess Theatre and currently touring Seal, Nickelback and Britney Spears nationally through November.



His exceptional performances in the UK, Europe and North America received unprecedented praise from both critics and fans across the globe.

"George proved he is simply one of the best vocalists this country has ever produced."

The Sun

"King George still reigns supreme"

Mail on Sunday

"A masterclass in pop genius"

The Observer

"A tremendous singer, a complete showman. All George Michael needs is a mic, his songs, and the magic on stage is instantaneous"

La Parisien

"As he closed with the still stirring 'Freedom', his hands raised high, testifying like an evangelist for self determination. Then he was on his knees, giving the 'I'm not worthy' bow several times towards his fans.

His crowds roared back, still dancing to the music, suggesting that maybe he was."

Rolling Stone

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