

MOCK THE WEEK STAR ED GAMBLE ANNOUNCES UK TOUR 'BLIZZARD' TO FOLLOW RETURN TO THE FRINGE

★★★★ *The Telegraph, Chortle, The List, Edinburgh Festivals, Time Out, The Skinny, Three Weeks*

Award-winning comedian **Ed Gamble** announces UK tour of fifth solo stand-up show *Blizzard*, a brand new hour about the eternal struggle for identity and getting conned by a guide dog. Ed will be taking the show to the Fringe at the Pleasance Above from 1st to 26th August at 7.40pm, followed by a 44-date nationwide tour from January 2019.

Ed first came to prominence starring in two series of *Almost Royal* (BBC America/E4), which is finding an ever-growing and enthusiastic fan base since its recent release on Netflix. As well as featuring in 19 episodes of *Mock The Week* (BBC Two), Ed's credits include guest appearances on *The Apprentice: You're Fired* (BBC Two), *Roast Battle UK* (Comedy Central), *Drunk History* (Comedy Central) and *The Chris Ramsey Show* (Comedy Central), stand-up appearances on *The Russell Howard Hour* (Sky One), *Live at the Comedy Store* (Comedy Central), *Russell Howard's Stand Up Central* (Comedy Central), *Conan* (TBS) and *Russell Howard's Good News* (BBC Two), as well as starring in two episodes and co-writing the fourth series of *Man Down* (Channel 4).

At last year's Festival Fringe, Ed's fourth solo show *Mammoth* sold out its entire run and extra performances were added to meet demand, before he embarked on his second nationwide sell-out tour. He has also completed runs at the New Zealand Comedy Festival and Just For Laughs Festival in Montreal, which he has returned to this year.

What the press has said about Ed Gamble

"an ability to open his mouth and spontaneously say something hysterically funny" **James Kettle, The Guardian**

"he is on irresistible form" ★★★★★ **Rupert Hawksley, The Telegraph**

"If he keeps up this momentum he'll be playing arenas in a few years" **Mark Boosey, British Comedy Guide**

"a seriously strong show...Gamble is a powerful, compelling orator" ★★★★★ **Paul Fleckney, Chortle**

"a hugely likeable performer...an excellent comic" **Paul Whitelaw, The Scotsman**

"a fully-rounded stand-up fiesta" ★★★★★ **Brian Donaldson, The List**

"Gamble holds the audience in the palm of his hand...never falters in his creative and clever humour that leaves the audience in stitches" ★★★★★ **Adam Thornton, Edinburgh Festivals**

"crudely inventive and very funny...bursting with great lines" ★★★★★ **Jay Richardson, Fest**

★★★★ **Ben Williams, Time Out**

★★★★ **Jenni Ajderian, The Skinny**

★★★★ **Patricia-Ann Young, Three Weeks**

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