

# JIMMY McGHIE

## THE ALL-POWERFUL WARRIOR

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GOES FROM CONQUEST TO CONQUEST LEAVING FIRE IN HIS WAKE

Following the critical success of his 2009 solo debut, The Northern Meeting, JIMMY McGHIE returns to the Festival with his second full-hour of confessional, character-filled stand-up. This year he explores his lack of drive in a show about potential and how to unrealise it.

Since JIMMY was last in Edinburgh he has fallen foul of faceless estate agents, learned American, been to Tesco Metro (a lot), fully mastered Apple's entire product line, become a dolphin and tried desperately not to fall in love with a hippy.

JIMMY did manage to go to Africa but did not have the requisite epiphany or return to start a charity. Whilst he was interested in the colonial legacy and the absolute power of dictators, he mainly noticed that there are quite a lot of wankers passing-off a hedonistic holiday as humanitarian help.

Finally he did the two most shameful things he has ever done in his life.

Expect a ruminative, cynical and often recklessly honest hour of stand-up story telling.

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### What the press has said about Jimmy

*"One to watch' practically stamped on his forehead."*  
The Scotsman

*"Hilarious, self deprecating and lovable...A fantastic storyteller."*  
□□□□ Three Weeks

*"A delightful turn of phrase...instantly likeable stand-up."*  
Chortle

### LISTINGS INFORMATION

Venue: Pleasance Below  
Date: 4<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August  
Time: 21:45  
Box Office: 0131 556 6557

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Highly-rated on the circuit, JIMMY began doing stand-up regularly in 2005, reaching the finals of the *BBC New Talent* competition and the *Amused Moose Star Search*. He performed a split-bill stand-up show at the Edinburgh Festival in 2007 and again in 2008, receiving rave reviews. JIMMY took his first solo show, Jimmy McGhie's Northern Meeting, to the Edinburgh Festival in 2009.

### AVALON PROMOTIONS

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The last 12 months has seen Avalon Promotions: present multi-award winning comics CHRIS ADDISON, SIMON BIRD, JENNY ECLAIR, DAVE GORMAN, RICHARD HERRING, RUSSELL HOWARD, LEE MACK, and FRANK SKINNER on sell-out runs; produce AL MURRAY, THE PUB LANDLORD live at the O2 and RUSSELL HOWARD at Wembley Stadium; introduce some of the fastest-rising stars in comedy such as KRISTEN SCHAAL & KURT BRAUNOHLER and ISY SUTTIE; produce stage shows, such as Frank Skinner's Credit Crunch Cabaret and Grumpy Old Women Live, which has toured the UK three times and performed highly successful runs in Australia and London's West End; and present 20 acts at the Edinburgh Festival, where it has promoted a total of five *Perrier Award* winners and 18 *Perrier Award/Edinburgh Comedy Award* nominees in just 21 years.

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