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# Nick Cave & The Bad Seeds

Australia/UK



Photo: Kerry Brown

Live quotes:

*"...Cave slipped coolly and violently into his familiar sexy swagger, demanding attention that from then on was impossible to let go."*  
**Iain Shedden, The Australian**

*"Nick Cave doesn't so much give a concert as unleash a performance."*  
**Penelope Debelle, Adelaide Advertiser/News Ltd**

Skeleton Tree album quotes:

*"One of Cave's most beautifully crafted creations"* 4.5/5 **The Australian**

*"Connects more deeply than just about anything he's written"* 4.5/5 **Sydney Morning Herald**

*"A masterpiece of love and devastation"* 5/5 **The Guardian** "A Masterpiece" 5/5 **NME**

The mythical collective return to the Sydney stage as bold, explorative and vital as ever, ready to showcase their sixteenth studio album *Skeleton Tree*.

**Nick Cave & The Bad Seeds** occupy a dark, but elevated corner of the rock pantheon – all sweat and velvet, wordplay and murder, mythical personalities and songs that live in the souls of generations of fans in Australia and beyond. Morphing from the ashes of the **Birthday Party** into an ever-evolving international collective, The Bad Seeds have spent more than two decades conquering dour post-punk, gothic gospel, urbane blues experiments and starkly emotional balladry, ruled and riled by the stern, wry charm and unmistakable voice of one of the great frontmen and songwriters of our time.

One of the most critically acclaimed acts working today, Nick Cave & The Bad Seeds' albums have charted 72 times in the top 40, including 28 times in the top 5, reaching no. 1 six times.

Their 2016 album *Skeleton Tree*, (which reached no. 1 in the Australia, New Zealand, Norway and Denmark charts, no. 2 in the UK as well as scoring the highest position on the US charts to date), is an exquisite reflection on grief and change, driven as ever by Cave's stark and personal writing and Warren Ellis' mercurial arrangements, into dark new territory. Few bands are as qualified to lead you through such terrain.

Audiences will also be treated to a support performance from ARIA award winning, cult experimental trio **The Necks**.

Where ICC Sydney Theatre, Darling Harbour

When 20–21 January at 7.00pm  
Doors Open 7pm  
The Necks 7.30pm  
Nick Cave 8.30pm

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Duration            180mins

Tickets            A reserve GA Floor Standing \$118.25  
                         A reserve \$118.25  
                         B reserve \$103.00

Bookings           Sydney Festival  
                         1300 856 876

                         Ticketek  
                         132 849

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