
DHOAD GYPSIES OF RAJASTHAN

UK TOUR FROM MARCH TO OCTOBER 2013 – DATES AVAILABLE



A mesmerising and spectacular show from the poets, troubadours, musicians, dancers and fakir (fire eater) from the country of Maharajas, Rajasthan.

THE DHOAD GYPSIES have performed over 1,000 concerts, across 70 countries. They are considered the undisputed cultural ambassadors of Rajasthan. Dhoad Gypsies are a collective of talented and spirited musicians, vocalists and dancers of all generations.

Over the last ten years they have performed at many major festivals including; the 50 year celebration of Algeria's independence, Festival Malta (Poland), Sziget Festival (Budapest), Womad Festival (UK), World Music Festival (Chicago), World Music Festival (New York), Scène Nationale de Meylan, Scène Nationale d'Annecy, Exposition Internationale Zaragoza 2008, Paleo Festival (Switzerland), Festival of World Cultures (Ireland), Cabaret

Sauvage Paris La Villette, Festival d'Île de France, Festival Pireneos Sur Spain, Festival Intermundiale (Rome). They have also been personally invited to perform a special one-off concert for Mick Jagger, the Indian President and the current President of France, François Hollande, to name just three!

Rahis Bharti (the group's Artistic Director) belongs to a long family line of traditional musicians from Rajasthan and boasts an international reputation. He has played with musicians worldwide including the likes of Mario Tronco of Avion and travelling musicians including; Esmá Redžepova (the Queen of Macedonia), Flamenco en Route (from Spain), Sassa (from Switzerland), Carmin Belgodere

(Cinqui So Corse), Canta u Populu Corsu.

At the heart of Dhoad Gypsies are four brothers heralding from a rich and celebrated musical legacy spanning seven generations from the esteemed musical tribal caste of Rajasthan. Rajasthani music is respected for its emotion and unparalleled rhythmic speed and complexity. Evoking a trance-like state for the audience and performer alike, the Dhoad Gypsies embark on a rapturous journey with love, peace and honour at the centre of their lyrical message. Passionate and haunting, the group's legendary stamina on stage combines sweeping scales and vocals, a traditional Gypsy Rajasthani dancer and stunts by the group's resident fakir – blended together to create a truly unforgettable experience.

Dhoad Gypsies consist of eight world-class musicians who perform a diverse repertoire of traditional, spiritual Rajasthani folk music and semi-classical North Indian compositions enriched by world folklore on tabla, harmonium, dholak, sarangi, jaw harp and castanets.

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