

# Chaka Demus & Pliers Announce 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary UK Tour

Jamaica's reggae stars Chaka Demus and Pliers have announced they are to tour the UK for the first time in over ten years during July and August 2018

The tour also marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary since Chaka Demus & Pliers exploded onto the UK chart scene in 1993, when the duo scored six UK top 40 hits in just fourteen months, including 'Tease Me', 'Murder She Wrote', 'She Don't Let Nobody' and their Number 1 hit cover of The Top Notes' 'Twist and Shout'.

When Chaka Demus and Pliers teamed-up in 1991 they were already established musicians with successful solo careers. What followed was an extremely prolific period, with the pair releasing no fewer than three albums in 1992 ('Gal Wine Wine Wine', 'Bad Mind' and 'Ruff This Year') and performing at Reggae Sunsplash in the same year.

International success followed for the duo, with their 1993 single 'Tease Me' reaching No.3 during a three month stay on the UK chart, and their album of the same name also reaching No. 1, selling over 500,000 and certified gold in the process.

When their single 'Twist and Shout' reached No.1 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 1994, Chaka Demus & Pliers became the first Jamaican act to top the UK single charts in eight years, and the first to have three consecutive Top Five hits.



With a new single called 'California One Night Stand' due for release on 13<sup>th</sup> July on VPAL Records and a new album in the pipeline, Chaka Demus said, "Coming to the UK for this tour is very special for us, as the UK is where we had our first hits outside of Jamaica. We still have a lot of new tunes to bring our UK fans, along with all our hits. We feel that this tour is truly the return of Chaka Demus and Pliers."

The nine-date tour starts at the Warehouse in Leeds on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> July and ends on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> August at Concorde 2 in Brighton.

Tickets go on sale at 9am on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> May, available from <https://www.seetickets.com/tour/the-return-of-chaka-demus-and-pliers>

Opening for all of Chaka Demus & Pliers UK tour dates will be one of the UK's most hotly-tipped reggae artists, Captain Accident.

The full list of Chaka Demus & Pliers' UK tour dates is as follows:

## July

Wed 25 Leeds, The Warehouse  
Thu 26 Manchester, Band on the Wall  
Fri 27 Frome, Cheese and Grain  
Sat 28 Exeter, Phoenix  
Sun 29 Glasgow, SWG3

## August

Wed 1 Cardiff, Tramshed  
Thu 2 Bristol, Trinity  
Fri 3 London, Subteranea  
Sun 5 Brighton, Concorde 2



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