## NICK HART SINGS TEN ENGLISH FOLK SONGS

## NEW ALBUM OUT 29 APRIL ON ROEBUCK RECORDS VIA PROPER MUSIC DISTRIBUTION

Watch new video for first single "Dives and Lazarus" here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=51tgoVXy4F8

## **EXTENSIVE UK TOUR ANNOUNCED FOR 2022**



Nick Hart is an award-winning singer and multi-instrumentalist whose work with English folk song is rapidly gaining him a reputation as one of the most acclaimed performers of his generation. His considered approach to accompaniment is informed by a deep respect for the nuances of traditional song and his captivating live performances are a testament to the importance he places on story-telling.

In 2021, Nick scooped the *Christian Raphael Prize,* awarded in association with Cambridge Folk Festival, to nurture artist development. As part of the prize, Nick will play the Festival this year, as well as an impressive series of shows across the UK. Dates so far in flyer below. More to be announced.

Nick has released two solo albums, *Nick Hart Sings Eight English Folk Songs* (2017) and *Nick Hart Sings Nine English Folk Songs* (2019), both to critical acclaim. His predictably titled third album, *Nick Hart Sings Ten English Folk Songs*, is due for release on 29 April

2022 on Roebuck Records via Proper Music Distribution. Catalogue number: RRCD003. Formats: CD/digital download/stream. Pre-order here: <u>https://nickhart.lnk.to/</u> <u>TenEnglishFolkSongs</u>

Recorded during the first lockdown of 2020, *Nick Hart Sings Ten English Folk Songs* is in many ways a departure from the stripped back, live approach of Nick's first two albums. Deprived of a sound engineer and locked away in a house full of strange instruments, he was afforded the time and space to explore different approaches to the accompaniment of traditional song. Nick's distinctive guitar playing is augmented here by harmonium, lyre, viols and a host of percussion and woodwinds, and while some tracks were recorded completely live, others such as "May Song" and "Dives and Lazarus" have been given a more multi-layered treatment. At the heart of it though, Nick has approached the songs on this album with the care and sensitivity for which he has become known, allowing them the space they need, while bringing to the fore the nuances in mode and meter that make these songs so special.

Aside from his work with traditional song, Nick has made frequent forays into the world of theatre. As an actor musician he has performed on such illustrious stages as the Old Vic and Noel Coward theatre, and as a composer/musical director has contributed to pieces by companies such as Iris Theatre and Flabbergast.



Critical praise for Nick Hart's previous albums:

"Superb"- The Guardian "Absolutely Excellent" - Folk Radio UK "One of the most rewarding and accomplished albums we've heard this year" - fRoots "Uncluttered, great singing that reminds me of the very best English roots singers... this is the real deal" - Mike Harding "A cult classic in the making" - Grizzly Folk "A wonderful record of some of England's finest traditional songs, preserved in a beautifully unadulterated form." - Bright Young Folk



## TEN ENGLISH FOLK SONGSTOUR-2022

4th March **NORFOLK** Norfolk Wildlife Trust

> 10th March **BATH** Chapel Arts

2nd April BRETFORTON The Fleece

22nd April **OXFORD** Folk Weekend

23rd April **ASHBURTON** Ashburton Arts

24th April **FALMOUTH** The Cornish Bank

> 7th May **BRECON** The Muse

8th May **STROUD** The Prince Albert

FANCOURT

l 6th May MARGATE Tom Thumb Theatre

19th May SHEFFIELD Cafe #9

20th May LEAMINGTON SPA Temperance

> 21st May **NEWCASTLE** The Globe

22nd May **DERBY** The Old Bell

23rd May ONLINE Live to Your Living Room

> 25th May **BRISTOL** The Jam Jar

28th May LOWESTOFT The Grit

+MORE DATES TBC+

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29th May **CAMBRIDGE** Black Fen Folk Club

l st June MANCHESTER Gullivers

5th June ABERYSTWYTH Fire in the Mountain

l I th June **HAMPSHIRE** Whitchurch Folk Club

> l 2th June **LANGPORT** Green Scythe Fair

I 5th June **BRIGHTON** The Folklore Rooms

17th June OSWESTRY Hermon Chapel Arts

l 8th June BISHOP'S CASTLE Town Hall

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