

## **Bristol musician releasing 70s-inspired guitar album '*Double Denim*' on 2nd September 2016.**

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He was once described by a leading music blogger as an 'enigmatic genius'. But then again, most people just call him an idiot. So six of one then...

Joe Perkins has never had much interest in making life easy for himself. Looking like a '70s throwback, armed only with an electric guitar and having spent the last eight months locked in a studio that was cobbled together in a dining room (that's not a joke...) this instrumental release is exactly the record that he wanted to make.

But with a love of taking inspiration from many different genres and instilling the music with a quirky sense of humour born in Bristol, *Double Denim* was never exactly going to be your typical guitar album. Released as a download exclusively through [joeperkins.co.uk](http://joeperkins.co.uk), it certainly has something to suit all tastes – having just as much in common with the melodic realms of Mike Oldfield and the tongue-in-cheek extravagance of The Darkness as it does with the so-called 'guitar greats'.

The raw, organic production was largely inspired by seeing lifelong favourites Status Quo perform in 2014 as their reformed original 'Frantic Four' line-up.

*"I'd seen 'modern' Quo perform many times before and they were always flawless, but as the Frantic Four they were all over the place – they looked terrified! But that nervous energy made it the best Quo show I'd ever seen. It was so much more exciting for being edgy and dangerous. It was four humans all playing together with the whole thing likely to implode at any point – it was pure rock & roll!"*

The album features acclaimed session drummer John O'Reilly Jr. (Jason Mraz; Jimmy Eat World) and bass guitar extraordinaire Josh Clark, as well as guest appearances from cellist Emily Burrige (Hans Zimmer; Stereophonics) and trumpeter Vicky Flint (Roots Manuva; Ian Shaw) amongst others.

So that's *Double Denim*. There's rock; bluegrass; ballads; a snare drum with far too much reverb on it; potentially the world's loudest cajón; an army of pots & pans; an outrageous amount of guitars; a sense of humour; and real human musicians playing their instruments.

And who else is mad enough to give you all that in 2016?

***Double Denim* is released on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016 as MP3 and WAV downloads – both priced at £4.79 and available exclusively from [joeperkins.co.uk](http://joeperkins.co.uk). Online preorders are being taken throughout July & August.**

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