

THE TESKEY BROTHERS

NEW ALBUM *RUN HOME SLOW* OUT TODAY

EUROPEAN HEADLINE TOUR DATES ANNOUNCED



Photo Credit: Al Parkinson

Australian soul band **The Teskey Brothers** share their timeless second record *Run Home Slow*, out today on **Decca Records**. Featuring singles '[Hold Me](#)', '[Man Of The Universe](#)' and striking album centrepiece '[So Caught Up](#)', *Run Home Slow* is a true testament to the band's effortless ability to write soulful, catchy and compelling music.

Following their unforgettable sold-out Union Chapel show earlier this year, the band also announce a World headline tour in January and February 2020, including a date at **London's O2 Shepherd's Bush Empire** on 23rd January.

Originally from The Yarra Valley just outside Melbourne, brothers Josh and Sam Teskey, with local neighbourhood friends Brendon Love and Liam Gough, all started playing together as teenagers, and it was then that they discovered their shared love of 1960's American soul music.

Written over the last two years, while relentlessly touring the world in support of their debut, *Run Home Slow* was recorded straight to 2-inch tape and honours the old school Motown sound. With this record, the band find themselves in a contemplative and reflective mood. The album cascades with shuffling rhythm and guitar stabs coated in Josh Teskey's era-defying, smoked whiskey voice. Having spent the previous decade quietly honing their craft in relative obscurity while holding down day jobs, The Teskey Brothers suddenly found themselves in new territory.

"For the last two years we've been touring and playing music and been lucky enough to make music a vocation," Brendon says. *"But with that has come challenges in our personal lives as far as the pressure it can put on your home life and the balance you need to find."* Songs like 'Let Me Let You Down' and 'Paint My Heart' deal with that directly. Of the latter guitarist Sam Teskey says, *"That one's about trying to hold a relationship together from a distance."*

'Man Of The Universe' similarly touches on the dislocation you can feel when you're constantly on the move, not sure where you call home. But it also revels in this freedom. *"The simple subject of the song is, stop trying to label everything, and say we're from here, or this place is better than that or these people are better than those,"* singer and guitarist Josh says. *"It's a real coming together of everything song, saying 'Hey, don't put a label on me!'"*

Avoiding labels is something that The Teskey Brothers have also strived for musically on *Run Home Slow*, incorporating elements of southern rock on 'Paint My Heart', Americana on 'San Francisco', psychedelia on 'Sun Come Ease Me In' and Dixieland jazz on 'Sunshine Baby'.

There's a taste of gospel in the glorious, celebratory and near-acapella first single 'Hold Me', which is stripped-back to its most rudimentary, almost primal form; boots stomping on floorboards, claps holding the beat and four friends harmonising around a single microphone. Josh rouses the pack with opening line: *"That storm coming down hard, I'm your shelter anytime it starts"*.

Perhaps the most surprising on the album is current single, 'So Caught Up'. When the band first started jamming on the song they were a bit disarmed by the poppy new territory they found themselves in. *"I guess we were a bit worried about it being too much of a pop song and wanted to make sure that it didn't sound like a huge departure,"* Liam says. *"It was a bit different to what we'd normally play,"* Brendon says. *"But we were also quite excited about that."*

Choosing to end the album with 'That Bird', a song that came to Josh in a dream while camping in the Colorado wilderness, is the perfect closer. A gentle reflective groove, with a sentiment that Brendon reckons sums up the mood of the album perfectly. *"It's basically a conversation ruminating on this idea,"* he says. *"Is it better to live in the present and forget about the past or is it better to learn from the past and try and use those mistakes to grow from?"*

In *Run Home Slow*, The Teskey Brothers have made an album that honours their past, resonates wonderfully in the present and looks forward to a continually brighter future. Already boasting support from BBC 6 Music and Radio 2's Trevor Nelson, The Teskey Brothers are ready to unleash eleven fierce songs on an album that brims with energy and excitement.

LIVE DATES

Tue 21 Jan 2020	United Kingdom	Bristol	The Trinity
Wed 22 Jan 2020	United Kingdom	Brighton	Concorde 2
Thu 23 Jan 2020	United Kingdom	London	O2 Shepherd's Bush Empire
Sat 25 Jan 2020	Ireland	Dublin	Whelan's
Sun 26 Jan 2020	United Kingdom	Manchester	Gorilla
Mon 27 Jan 2020	United Kingdom	Glasgow	Saint Luke's
Tue 28 Jan 2020	United Kingdom	Birmingham	O2 Institute 2
Thu 30 Jan 2020	Germany	Cologne	Kulturkirche
Fri 31 Jan 2020	Belgium	Antwerp	Trix
Sat 01 Feb 2020	France	Paris	La Maroquinerie
Mon 03 Feb 2020	Netherlands	Amsterdam	Paradiso
Wed 05 Feb 2020	Netherlands	Groningen	De Oosterpoort
Fri 07 Feb 2020	Germany	Berlin	Heimathafen
Sat 08 Feb 2020	Germany	Munich	Strom
Sun 09 Feb 2020	Switzerland	Zurich	Mascottey

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