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'A new Australian anthem!'

OCEAN ROAD

FIRST single from Ben Mitchell's new album

Released 25th May 2016 - pre-order from iTunes
(album on 21st June 2016 (digital) 1st July (physical))

summer lover



What's Ocean Road about?

"Ocean Road is how I feel about Australia. What it meant to me growing up here and what it means to live here," explains Mitchell. Before I wrote this song I lived in London for 6 years and coming home I think I really appreciated more than ever how lucky I am to live here. Australia definitely is the lucky country and from the audience response so far it seems like Ocean Road might have captured something of that spirit of appreciation and wonder."



Ocean Road was inspired by a tweet on Boxing Day from a girl waiting at the MCG for the test to begin. She described the spine-tingling atmosphere of listening to 'Great Southern Land' by Icehouse playing over the famous stadium. After reading the tweet Mitchell felt compelled to write his own epic love song for Australia.

Ocean Road was co-produced with Richard 'Jack' Guy who briefly worked with INXS. The pedal steel guitar was played by Shane Reilly (Tex Perkins, Lost Ragas).



OCEAN ROAD video

- The video for Ocean Road was filmed at the beginning of the Great Ocean Road in Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove and along Thirteenth Beach Road in Victoria.

- It features a classic 1961 EK Holden kindly lent to the production team by a Healesville local (and signed on the dashboard by racing legend, Peter Brock).

- The soaring drone footage was captured with the help of another local, a QANTAS pilot and part-time flying filmer!



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