



## PRESS RELEASE



# SUMMER SOUNDS IN NEW ZEALAND

Add a musical twist to your New Zealand trip with a wealth of festivals, local kiwi bands and international legends including The Rolling Stones, Bastille and Ed Sheeran on tour



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### **The Rolling Stones, Auckland, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2014**

To celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary since The Rolling Stones first performed in New Zealand, the rock legends will head to Auckland as part of the 'Stones on Fire' tour, starting in November around Asia and Australasia. Stones fans will once again have the chance to experience the band's classic hits such as 'Gimme Shelter', 'Paint It Black' and 'Jumping Jack Flash'. Auckland's Mount Smart Stadium has even installed extra seating areas to meet the huge fan demand. For those who can't make it, follow the tour on social media with the #STONESONFIRE hashtag. [www.rollingstones.com](http://www.rollingstones.com)

### **Rhythm And Vines, Gisborne, 29<sup>th</sup> December 2013 - 01<sup>st</sup> January 2014**

UK travellers can be among the first in the world to see in the New Year, party with more than 30,000 people and enjoy over a hundred acts on five different stages at the increasingly popular festival, Rhythm and Vines held in the stunning Waiohika Estate in North Island's Gisborne. Bastille, one of the UK's favourites, will be among the headliners this year.

[www.rhythmandvines.co.nz](http://www.rhythmandvines.co.nz)

### **Rhythm and Alps, Cardrona Valley, 30<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014**

Located in Cardrona Valley, just south of Wanaka, Rhythm and Alps is the only two-day music festival in the South Island and runs at the same time as Rhythm and Vines in Gisborne. Rhythm and Alps sees up to 5000 visitors each year and festival-goers can enjoy views of the famous Cardrona Ski resort and Risa Plateau while enjoying acts such as Zane Lowe, Bastille, Chet Faker and Shapeshifter.

[www.rhythmandalps.co.nz](http://www.rhythmandalps.co.nz)

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### **Highlife NYE, Waiheke Island, 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014**

Showcasing some of the best dance music talent from across the globe, Highlife NYE is once again returning to Stonyridge Vineyard in Waiheke Island. The line-up includes international artists such as Ron Carroll, Federico Scavo and Sea Finn and visitors can also enjoy dancers, gourmet food, and DJ's.

[www.highlifeny.co.nz](http://www.highlifeny.co.nz)

### **Laneway Festival, Auckland, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2014**

Auckland Laneway Festival is back for another year at the impressive urban playground of Silo Park in Auckland's Wynyard Quarter. Plenty of gems will be back for another year including The Vivian and the Thunderdome.

[www.auckland.lanewayfestival.com](http://www.auckland.lanewayfestival.com)

### **Homegrown Festival, Wellington, 07<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

Proudly showcasing New Zealand's talent, the Homegrown festival takes place on the Wellington Waterfront with 57 acts across seven stages including rock, dub and pop and the Red Bull sound lab, not to mention the breakdancing competitions, food markets, street performers and art installations. This year, the festival has beefed up its line-up with a further 22 acts including Kora, Katchafire, Jamie McDell, @Peace and the Wellington super-group, Bongmaster to name a few.

[www.homegrown.net.nz](http://www.homegrown.net.nz)

### **Ed Sheeran, Christchurch / Wellington / Auckland, 8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> April 2015**

Ed Sheeran, whose hit single 'I see Fire' was composed for New Zealand legend Sir Peter Jackson's 'The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug', has just announced he will make his way over to Australasia next April for his biggest Arena Tour to date. In New Zealand he will head to Christchurch, followed by shows in Wellington and Auckland. [www.edsheeran.com](http://www.edsheeran.com)

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