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## Squeeze announce autumn UK tour will benefit the Trussell Trust food bank network October and November 2019 Special guests HEAVEN 17



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*“Difford and Tilbrook deliver a rousing reminder of their talent for tuneful and touching glimpses of everyday life. \*\*\*\*” – The Guardian*

**Squeeze announce that ‘The Difford And Tilbrook Songbook Tour’ will aim to raise food, funds and awareness for the Trussell Trust network of food banks. The 27-date tour will see the South London legends play their extensive list of hits as a band as well as rare gems from their back catalogue and solo careers.**

Speaking about the tour Glenn Tilbrook says *“I am over the moon to be touring with Squeeze and raising donations for the Trussell Trust. We’ve had something of a renaissance in the last few years, and look forward to this continuing.”* Commenting on his solo shows, as well as a run of dates with Wilko Johnson, which raised food and funds for the Trussell Trust, Glenn continues *“I’ve been so humbled and moved by the generosity and compassion of the people coming to the gigs and donating. It’s disgraceful that in 2019 people can’t afford to put even the most basic food on the table. So far, more than 1.5 tonnes of food has been raised for those that need it, and I can’t wait to see how much we can achieve when Squeeze tour later in the year.”*

With 2 critically acclaimed albums in the past four years, and a live show that has seen them headline numerous UK festivals as well their own sold out tours across the UK, USA and Australia, “something of a renaissance” seems like an understatement. Ever hardworking, the band will be

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bringing their scintillating live performances to the UK again in 2019, playing not just the hits, but also rarities that span their 45-year career both as Squeeze and solo artists.

*"Anyone who experiences them will know this band remains essential for all the same reasons they always were." \*\*\*\* The Scotsman*

Lauded as a song writing duo, Difford and Tilbrook have been compared to Lennon and McCartney since 'Take Me I'm Yours' – their first release in 1978 which blasted Squeeze into the forefront of the UK music scene. Following up with hits such as 'Cool For Cats', 'Up The Junction', 'Goodbye Girl', "Pulling Mussels From The Shell", "Tempted", and so many more, Squeeze established themselves as not just a passing footnote in New Wave history, but as an important and vital part of quintessential British music. These hits also established Difford and Tilbrook as some of the most prolific writers of their time, amassing a wealth of melody-rich earworms over the past four decades, both as Squeeze and also in their solo work.

Chris Difford adds *"I feel excited about the tour. It's a great band full of dedicated, hardworking, passionate people and we have a fabulous catalogue of songs to dip in and out of, so I feel completely blessed. Like Glenn I can't wait to see what can be achieved at our shows in the UK this autumn. Glenn very much inspired this idea [to support the food banks] and it beggars belief that people in this day and age have to feed themselves from a food bank. I can't wait to strap on the electric guitar again and sing the songs that got me where I am today."*

At all venues there will be multiple food drop points and collection boxes, where audiences can donate non-perishable food or money. Food donated at the venues will be collected and distributed to the nearest Trussell Trust food bank. Food banks provide a minimum of three-days' nutritionally balanced, non-perishable tinned and dried foods that have been donated by the local community. A [list of items](#) in a typical food parcel are: cereal, soup, pasta, rice, tinned tomatoes/pasta sauce, lentils, beans and pulses, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, tea/coffee, tinned fruit, biscuits, UHT milk and fruit juice. If possible audience members are asked to check with [local food banks](#) to see what supplies are currently needed.



*"Squeeze raise the roof!" –The Sun*

*"Now is the time to use 'national' and 'treasure' and now is the time to see Squeeze live" \*\*\*\* Buzz Magazine*

*"Squeeze are deserved national treasures and remain the provider of one of the finest evening's musical entertainment you can find" –Northern Echo*

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## SQUEEZE

THE DIFFORD AND TILBROOK SONGBOOK 2019

plus special guests **HEAVEN 17**

<b>OCTOBER</b>					
THU 17	SCUNTHORPE	Baths Hall	TUE 29	LONDON	Royal Albert Hall
FRI 18	SHEFFIELD	City Hall	WED 30	BATH	Forum
<b>SOLD OUT</b>	GATESHEAD	Sage	<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
<b>SOLD OUT</b>	GLASGOW	Royal Concert Hall	<b>SOLD OUT</b>	HULL	City Hall
TUE 22	LEICESTER	De Montfort Hall	<b>SOLD OUT</b>	LIVERPOOL	Philharmonic
<b>SOLD OUT</b>	BIRMINGHAM	Symphony Hall	<b>SOLD OUT</b>	SALFORD	The Lowry
FRI 25	OXFORD	New Theatre	<b>SOLD OUT</b>	NORTHAMPTON	Derngate
SAT 26	BRIGHTON	Centre	WED 06	GUILDFORD	G Live
SUN 27	SOUTHEND	Cliffs Pavilion	FRI 08	LONDON	Indigo at The O2
			SAT 09	NOTTINGHAM	Royal Concert Hall
			MON 11	BOURNEMOUTH	Pavilion
			TUE 12	CAMBRIDGE	Corn Exchange
			WED 13	CARDIFF	St David's Hall
			<b>SOLD OUT</b>	LLANDUDNO	Venue Cymru
			<b>SOLD OUT</b>	HARROGATE	Convention Centre
			<b>SOLD OUT</b>	READING	Hexagon
			TUE 19	FOLKESTONE	Leas Cliff Hall
			WED 20	IPSWICH	Regent

### Tour Dates:

#### October 2019

THU 17 - Scunthorpe Bath Halls  
FRI 18 - Sheffield City Hall  
SAT 19 - Gateshead Sage  
Mon 21 - Glasgow Royal Concert Hall  
Tue 22 - Leicester De Montfort Hall  
Wed 23 - Birmingham Symphony Hall  
Fri 25 - Oxford New Theatre  
Sat 26 - Brighton Centre  
Sun 27 - Southend Cliffs Pavilion  
Tue 29 - London Royal Albert Hall  
Wed 30 - Bath Forum

#### November 2019

Fri 01 - Hull City Hall  
Sat 02 - Liverpool Philharmonic  
Sun 03 - Salford The Lowry  
Tue 05 - Northampton Derngate  
Wed 06 - Guildford G Live  
Fri 08 - London Indigo at the O2  
Sat 09 - Nottingham Royal Concert Hall  
Mon 11 - Bournemouth Pavilion  
Tue 12 - Cambridge Corn Exchange  
Wed 13 - Cardiff St David's Hall  
Fri 15 - Llandudno Venue Cymru  
Sat 16 - Harrogate Convention Centre  
Sun 17 - Reading Hexagon  
Tue 19 - Folkestone Leas Cliff Hall  
Wed 20 - Ipswich Regent

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