

## Black\*Scarr



BLACK\*SCARR are Johnny Black and Emma Scarr, an East London duo formed by two singer songwriters with different styles and influences, but whose co-writing has collided to produce a collection of songs that move audiences to laughter and tears.

Both, are well known and respected artists in their own right, their mutual membership of London Premier 5 piece band 'The League of Nations' and a fondness for a good old fashioned styled duet has inspired them to write some up to date duets for our times, and their place – Walthamstow, Leytonstone, and not very much further beyond. Their distinctive voices, instrumental styles and mix of hard-hitting (his) and understated but plain-spoken (hers) writing have produced a set of songs that are musically striking and lyrically captivating.

Honest and gritty, this urban folk/country duo produce songs full of stories and themes that are modern but classic-sounding and timeless, personal and every day, still universal. Black\*Scarr have become known for live performances bursting with energy and chemistry. Prepare to tap your toes to upbeat melodic country tunes and be touched by hard-hitting, yet poetic lyrics that will stay with you. Guitar, fiddle, mandolin, harmonica and classic harmonies document the trials, contradictions, fears and delights of middle-aged life and love.

*“ They were truly on fire! Incredible songs performed with enthusiasm and musicianship and they were so entertaining too. It was a night to remember “ Helen Chin*

*“Black\*Scarr versifies urban life better than most bands I have ever come across. They sing about the world through the domestic prism. Love, loss, the night, need, city dreams and desires - all expressed through their irony, wit and vocal harmonies. Together Johnny Black and Emma Scarr conjure beauty in its most raw sense”. Betsey Trotwood, The Lantern Society*

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