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Little Red Delicious presents

# JAMES DOWDESWELL - WINE

## EDINBURGH FRINGE FESTIVAL 2007

### SMIRNOFF UNDERBELLY BABY BELLY 3

7.05pm (Ends 8pm)  
2<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2007 (not 13<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup>)

*Wine - It's sexy. It's giggly. It's rock and roll.*

After a year's hiatus **James Dowdeswell** is back at the Fringe with an hilarious new show where he throws a banana skin under the pretentious world of wine.

Growing up in a West Country pub James saw Scrumpy as the order of the day. But during a family road-trip through the vineyards of Burgundy everything changed.

During this tale of an innocent abroad, you'll hear about such mysteries as the role of the wine thief, how a Ferret can improve a vintage and the best wine to go with Coco-Pops. He may not look the type, but James loves wine; he's cracked its secrets and is giving it back to the people...with a screw top.

***"Every wine tells a story, and a story's always told when a bottle is opened..."***

2007 promises to be a good year for James. He recently played Count Fuckula in **Extras** (BBC2) and toured the UK as special guest for Russell Howard from **Mock The Week**. James' comedy has travelled as far as Shanghai, Dubai, Doha, Hong Kong, Bangkok, Phuket, Melbourne and Singapore. Other TV credits include **The World Stands Up** (Paramount), **Edinburgh and Beyond** (Paramount) and **Why Did The Chicken** (HTV Wales). It seems a far cry from back in 2000, when a fresh-faced young James won the Jongleurs Best New Act Award and supported Phil Kay on a national tour.

**"Intelligent and inventive" \*\*\*\* The List**

**"James Dowdeswell is a real master of the comedian's craft, being able to almost seamlessly layer joke upon joke to form this wonderful and often hilarious one-man show. It is a genuine pleasure to be in the company of this master gag smith for an hour, an experience that few should really pass up." \*\*\*\* Chortle.com**

**"This is feel good comedy with a capital F. If he isn't a sell out I'll eat my hat." \*\*\*\*Three Weeks**

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### LISTINGS INFORMATION

**Smirnoff Underbelly, Baby Belly 3, Niddry Street South**

**Box Office:** 0870 745 3083 [www.underbelly.co.uk](http://www.underbelly.co.uk)

**Venue press office:** 0870 745 3078, [press@underbelly.co.uk](mailto:press@underbelly.co.uk)

Edinburgh Fringe Box Office: 0131 226 0000

**Dates:** 2<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> August at 7.05pm (ends 8pm). Previews 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. No show 13<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Tickets:**

2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> (previews):	£5.00
4 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup> -23 <sup>th</sup>	£8.50 (£7.50)
10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup>	£9.50 (£8.50)