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Get a taste of music under the stars at Big Skies Festival this October!

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Prepare to rock and roll at the Big Skies Festival from 3 – 7 October at the historic Jimbour House near Dalby!

Just a 2.5-hour drive from Brisbane, this festival promises a long weekend packed with live music from top Australian country and rock stars.

Peter Homan, CEO of Queensland Country, said the festival is a fantastic opportunity to showcase the rich heritage of Jimbour House while celebrating the best of Australian music.

"Events like the Big Skies Festival not only draw visitors to the Western Downs but also highlight the region's stunning landscapes, warm hospitality and unique charm,"

"As the 2023 Bronze Winners of Best Festival or Event at the Grey Nomad Awards, the event truly shines under our vast Queensland Country skies. It brings people together, offering them a chance to experience the iconic Jimbour House and immerse themselves in the local community spirit." Mr Homan said.

Western Downs Regional Council, Mayor Andrew Smith, said he's thrilled to see Big Skies returning in 2024 with a unique blend of country and rock artists in the line-up.

"We want visitors to come and really experience the best of what the Western Downs has to offer – all while enjoying some of the best musical talent in Australia," Cr Smith said.

"From a day trip to short or long stays in one of our glamping tents, this event really showcases what makes our region one of a kind.

"Unique food and accommodation experiences are on offer, as well as canapes under the stars, farm markets, Jimbour House tours, happy hour in the hangar and big concert entertainment under the stars.

"This year's event, will be an experience not to be missed, with a line-up of iconic Australian artists – including Brad Cox, the Screaming Jets, Kaylee Bell, Killing Heidi, and Deborah Conway – who will perform under the majestic country night sky."

"We know the NRL grand final is a big weekend - and we're catering to our rugby league lovers by screening the NRL Grand Finale on a big screen in the hangar."

Event Highlights:

- **Performances:** Rock out with headliners like The Screaming Jets, Brad Cox, Killing Heidi, Kaylee Bell, Deborah Conway, Mick Lindsay, Pete Cullen & The Hurt, Charlie Nolan Band, The 78 Sound and Faleepo Francisco.
- Canapes Under the Stars: An evening of delicious canapes under the big starry skies of the Western Downs.
- Sunset Dinner: Enjoy a sunset dinner with panoramic views.
- **Tours:** Take a guided tour of the historic Jimbour House.
- **Explore:** Discover the region with a bus tour, wander through vibrant markets, and sample delicious treats from local food stalls.
- Hangar Happy Hour: Unwind in the hangar during happy hour with a refreshing drink!

Camping Tip: Why not make it a whole long weekend? Choose from four-day, three-day, or two-day camping options and immerse yourself in the festival spirit.

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While you're exploring the Western Downs, why not check out a few other must-see spots? Here are some of our handy guides to help you plan your getaway:

- Road-trip: Western Country
- Everything you need to know about the Western Downs

Tickets and camping spots are selling fast, book now: https://bit.ly/3TyuA5r
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