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## live reviews

**JAMES YORKSTON** VOODOO  
ROOMS, EDINBURGH, MAY 19

★★★★☆

**TEN** years ago, James Yorkston played his first solo show here. A decade on, the Fife singer-songwriter packed the place out.

Sadly, most of his songs on show conjured up images of cutting yourself with a razor blade. However, there's something therapeutic about them, too.

A spontaneous tune about a woman with loose morals he met next door to this venue 18 years ago was a nice touch.

But it was his fly-away lyric concerning the Voodoo Rooms' kitchen's squeaky door – that creaked during the same section of the song twice – that proved the Fence Collective man works best when things don't always go to plan.

The downside – for Yorkston – was Lisa Knapp, who overshadowed Yorkston, when she joined him on stage towards the end. Never mind, here's to another 10 years.

**BARRY GORDON**



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