

Dave Thornton

Stand Up Comedian / Presenter / Broadcaster

Honest, engaging, whip smart and a damn funny dude, Dave Thornton has built a reputation as one of our country's best stand-up comedians.

With over 20 years in the game, he's spent more than half his life doing what he loves, performing to crowds across Australia, and globally including Edinburgh, Montreal Singapore and New York.

A regular co-host of The Project, Dave's TV credentials also include hosting Channel 9's *20 to 1* and Network 10's *This Week Live* appearances on ABC TV's *Spicks and Specks* and *Agony Uncles*, Channel 9's *The Hundred's with Andy Lee* and Network Ten's *Would I Lie To You Australia* and *Hughesy We Have a Problem*.

Dave is also a go to in the world of sport, hosting AFL quiz show *The Beep Test* on Fox Footy, a format developed by fellow comedian Michael Chamberlin, which returned for a second season in 2019. Continuing to combine work and pleasure, Dave has been a regular guest panellist all through 2022 for Fox Sports' *The Back Page*.

He's also an accomplished actor, appearing in Channel Nine's *House Husbands*, ABC TV's *Upper Middle Bogan*, and Network Ten's *Five Bedrooms*. Basically, if there's catering, Dave will be there.

With a voice as familiar as his face, Dave is one of Australia's most beloved broadcasters, co-hosting Fox FM's breakfast radio show alongside his good friend Fifi Box for many years, and regularly guest appearing on every major radio network in the country. He is also an in-demand voice over artist for notable brands such as *Uncle Toby's* and *HBF*.

Dave is also a prolific figure online, with his stand-up clips garnering millions of views from around the world, He is back on tour in 2024 with his new show *Nothing's Impossible*, exploring fatherhood and family life, in a way that only he can.

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"He's razor sharp and very funny". Inpress

"A quick and self-deprecating wit...an engaging comic with a truly Australian

take on life" The Age

Live Shows

2024	<i>"Nothing's Impossible"</i> – Solo Show Adelaide Fringe Festival, Canberra Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2023	<i>"Chatter"</i> – Solo Show Adelaide Fringe Festival, Canberra Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Perth Comedy Festival
2022	<i>"That Happened"</i> – Solo Show

Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival	
2021	<i>"Tommy little's Big Comedy Showcase"</i> – Line up show
Sidney Myer Music Bowl	
2021	<i>"Novel Problems"</i> – Solo Show
Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival	
2021	<i>"The Detour – Dave Thornton and Dilruk Jayasinha"</i> – Two Man Show
Adelaide Fringe Festival	
2019	<i>"Lean Into It"</i> – Solo Show
	Brisbane Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Canberra Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival
2018	<i>"So What Now?"</i> – Solo Show
	Adelaide Fringe Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Canberra Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival
2017	<i>"Onwards and Upwards"</i> – Solo Show
	Brisbane Comedy Festival, Canberra Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival
2016	<i>"So On And So Forth"</i> – Solo Show
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival, Canberra Comedy Festival
2015	<i>"Spit and Polish"</i> – Solo Show
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Store
2013-14	<i>"Tall and Pointy"</i> – Solo Show
	Adelaide Fringe Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Store, Melbourne International Comedy Festival (Return Season 2014)
2012	<i>"The Some Of All The Parts"</i> – Solo Show
	Adelaide Fringe Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival, Sydney Comedy Store
2011	<i>"I Wanna be Bruce Lee"</i> – Solo Show
	Adelaide Fringe Festival, Brisbane Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2010	<i>"A Different Type Of Normal"</i> – Solo Show
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Adelaide Fringe Festival, Sydney Comedy Festival, Edinburgh Fringe Festival
2009	<i>"Allow Me To Introduce Myself"</i> – Solo Show
	Edinburgh Fringe Festival
2009	<i>"Never Sweat"</i> – Solo Show
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2008	<i>"Info"</i> – Solo Show
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2007	<i>"Euromission"</i> – Solo Show
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2006	<i>"What... Me Worry?"</i> – Solo Show
	Melbourne Fringe Festival
2006	<i>"Eyecandy"</i> – Four-man show
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival
2005	<i>"The No Underpants Show"</i> – Two-Man Show
	Melbourne International Comedy Festival

Television

2011-24	Network TEN	The Project (Regular Guest and Guest Co-Host)
2022-23	Fox Sport	Fox Sport - The Back Page (Regular Guest)
2023	ABC TV	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Opening Night Gala (Stand Up)
2023	Network TEN	The Hundred with Andy Lee (Contestant)
2022	SBS	Celebrity Letters and Numbers (Contestant)
2022	Network TEN	Just For Laughs S8 (Stand Up)
2022	Network TEN	Would I Lie To You? Australia (Guest)
2022	ABC TV	Melbourne Comedy Festival Oxfam Gala (Spot)
2021	ABC TV	Melbourne Comedy Festival Oxfam Gala (Spot)
2021	ABC TV	The Weekly S7 (JFK)
2020	Network TEN	Kinne Tonight (Various Characters) Season 1 & 2
2020	Comedy Channel	Just For Laughs Sydney (Spot)
2019	Network TEN	Celebrity Name Game (Guest)
2019	Network TEN	Spring Racing Carnival coverage
2018-19	Fox Footy	The Beep Test (Host)
2019	ABC TV	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Oxfam Gala (Stand Up)
2019	Network TEN	Show Me The Movie! (Guest)
2018	ABC TV	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Oxfam Gala (Stand up)
2018	Network TEN	Hughesy We Have A Problem (Guest)
2017	Channel Nine	20 to 1 (Co-Host)
2017	ABC TV	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Opening Night Gala (Stand Up)
2017	ABC TV	Sideliners (Regular Panellist)
2017	Network TEN	All Star Family Feud – Comedians vs Comedians (Contestant)
2016	Comedy Channel	Just For Laughs Stand Up Series (Stand Up)
2016	Network TEN	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Oxfam Gala (Stand Up)
2016	Channel Nine	20 to 1 (Interview Guest)
2015	Comedy Channel	Just For Laughs at the Sydney Opera House, 10-part series (Host)
2015	Network TEN	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala (Stand Up)
2014	Comedy Channel	Just For Laughs at the Sydney Opera House, 10-part series (Host)
2014	ABC TV	Double Dribble (Host)
2013	Comedy Channel	Just For Laughs at the Sydney Opera House 6 part series (Host)
2013	Network TEN	This Week Live (Co-Host)
2013	Network TEN	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala (Stand up spot)
2013	ABC TV	Tractor Monkeys (Panel guest)
2013	ABC TV	The Agony of Life (Interview guest)
2012-13	Network TEN	The Project (Metro Whip)
2012	Network TEN	Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala (Stand up spot)

2012	Network TEN	The Circle (Fortnightly guest)
2012	ABC TV	Agony Uncles (Guest)
2010-11	Network TEN	The 7PM Project (Regular Guest and Guest Co-Host)
2010-11	Network TEN	Good News Week (Guest)
2011	Network TEN	The Circle (Guest Co-Host)
2011	ABC TV	Spicks and Specks (Guest)
2011	The Comedy Channel	You Have Been Watching (Guest)
2011	ABC TV	Agony Uncles (Guest)
2011	ABC TV	The Trophy Room (Guest)
2010	Channel Seven	The White Room (Regular Panellist)
2010	Network TEN	The Circle (Guest)
2009	Network TEN	Talkin' 'bout Your Generation (Guest)
2008 - 09	Channel 31	Studio A (Host)
2009	SBS	Abc (Guest)
2008	Network TEN	Rove (Stand Up Spot)
2008	Network TEN	Good News Week (Guest)
2007	Comedy Channel	Stand Up Australia (Stand Up Spot)
2006	Network TEN	Good Morning Australia

Radio & Podcasts

2023	Podcast	Wilosophy (Guest)
2023	Podcast	Picture Discuss (Guest)
2023	Hit Network	Carrie and Tommy (Fill in Host)
2023	KIIS Network	Will and Woody (Guest)
2020	Podcast	There Will Be A Test (Host)
2014-17	Fox FM	Breakfast with Fifi, Dave, Fev and Byron (Co-Host)
2013	2DayFM	Weekend Breakfast With Sophie and Dave (Co-Host)
2012-13	Today Network (National)	Mamma Mia Today – Daily show (co-host)
2011-13	Fox FM Melbourne	Breakfast Show (Regular fill in co-host)
2009 - 10	NOVA 96.9 Brisbane	Breakfast Show (Fill in co-host)
2010	NOVA – National	Saturday Morning Show (Solo Host)
2009	NOVA – National	Summer Breakfast Show (Co-Host with Dylan Lewis and Sophie Mok)
2009	NOVA 100 Melbourne	Sunday Night Show (Host)
2008	NOVA 100 Melbourne	Breakfast Show (Guest)
2007-08	RRR	The Pinch (Declan Fay & Chris Kennett)

Recordings

2011	Madman Entertainment <i>A Different Type of Normal</i> (stand-up DVD)
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Television (Acting)

2021	Network Ten	Five Bedrooms (Guest Role)
2018	Channel Nine	True Story with Hamish and Andy (Guest Role)
2014-16	ABC TV	Upper Middle Bogan (Troy)
2015	Feature Film	Now Add Honey (Detective Andrew Smith)
2013	ABC TV	Upper Middle Bogan (Troy)
2012-17	Channel Nine	House Husbands
2008	ABC	Bed of Roses- Ep 1&3
2007	Crackerjack Prod's	Comedy Inc Series V/Channel 9

Awards

2013	GQ Comedian of the Year	Winner
2009	Studio A, "Program Of The Year", Host	Winner
2007	"Best Newcomer" MICF	Nominee
2006	"Campus Comedian of the Year" (TREV Awards)	Winner
2005	"Angling For a Laugh"	Winner
2005	"Search For Funny Bone"	Winner
2005	"Green Faces"	Second Place

Other Notable Work

2020-24	Voice Over – HBF "Quokka" Character
2023	Voice Over – Specsavers
2021	Face of Uncle Toby's Oats Campaign
2021	Host – MICF Digital Program "Melbourne Comedy Rooms"
2020	Host – Carlton Draught's <i>Home Game</i> (Web Series)
2020	Voice Over – Just For Laughs Clip Show, Network Ten
2020	Delivered Live – Comedy Spot
2020	"In Vino Veritas – With Merrick Watts" (Guest)
2020	Beyond Blue – Regular engagements at fundraising events

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