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# **Geoff Norcott: I Blame the Parents**



### 'I Blame the Parents' is the fourth national tour for Geoff Norcott, following on from 'Conswervative', 'Traditionalism' and 'Taking Liberties' and runs from July 31 - Nov 11, 2021.

For his brand-new tour, Geoff Norcott (*Would I Lie to You?, Live At The Apollo, Mock The Week, Question Time* and *The Mash Report*) will be talking less politics (alright, there will probably be a bit), and, instead, will mostly explore personal responsibility, parenting and who should take the blame when things go wrong. Hint: it's you!

# 'Sets himself apart from the liberal commentariat with a sharp self-knowing wit' $\star \star \star$ Dominic Maxwell, The Times

Whatever happened to the idea of personal responsibility? In the age of victimhood, it seems like whatever is wrong with your life can be blamed on someone else: governments, employers...some bigot from four hundred years ago.

Where did it go wrong? It has to be the parents. For every generation, there's an opportunity for a new set of mums and dads to set their kids straight and make a stand against whatever trendy nonsense is currently doing the rounds. But do we? Or is it easier to give in to fear and the pursuit of a quiet life?

Geoff has also realised that he's a bag of contradictions. Raised on a south London council estate by two maverick parents, there's plenty he has to sift through. His dad was a trade union man who obsessed over stocks and shares. His mum was a closet chauvinist and far too frank on the subject of sex.

With a child of his own, Geoff spies a one-off chance for his family to finally get it right and produce a balanced human being, but can he filter out his own bollocks before it gets to his son?

## 'He's a class act with a mature, sharp take on modern politics.' Sunday Times

Geoff now has a string of top-level credits to his name including: **The Last Leg** (C4), **Would I Lie To You?** (BBC1), **Mock the Week** (BBC2), **Live at The Apollo** (BBC2), **Offended by Irvine Welsh** (Sky Arts), **The Mash Report** (BBC2), **8 Out of 10 Cats** (C4) and **The Duchess** (Netflix). He also fronted his own documentary, **How The Middle Class Ruined** Britain (BBC2) ( $\star \star \star \star \star \star$  FT) and has released three Radio 4 specials to date, one of which won 'Best Comedy' at BBC Radio & Music Awards.

Geoff continues to be a feature in the world of political and social commentary, with regular appearances on political programmes, including *Question Time*, *Politics Live* and *All Out Politics*. He has hosted a radio show for the first time in 2020, frequently deputising for Giles Coren on **Times Radio** as well as becoming a regular on BBC Radio 4's **The News Quiz** and **The Now Show**. TV writing credits include additional material for hit sitcom **King Gary** (BBC1), **Have I Got News For You** (BBC1), **It's Clarkson on TV** (ITV), **The Ranganation** (BBC2) and many, many more.



2021 also sees Geoff releasing his first book, the memoir *Where Did I Go Right (How the Left Lost Me)*, which has already garnered praise from comics including Romesh Ranganathan, Katherine Ryan and David Baddiel.

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#### **Tour Listing:**

Title: Geoff Norcott – I Blame The Parents

#### Duration: 90 minutes including support + interval

Link for all tour dates: <u>https://www.livenation.co.uk/artist/geoff-norcott-tickets</u>

#### Tour runs July 31 - Nov 11, 2021 - tour stops, in order, are:

Bath (Sold Out), Nottingham, Bristol, Barnstaple, Exeter, Bedford, Colchester, Peterborough, Dorking, Leamington Spa (Sold Out), Monmouth, Shrewsbury, Northampton, London, Manchester, Solihull, Guildford, London (Sold Out), London, Reading, Leicester, Verwood, Lyme Regis, Birmingham, Maidenhead (2 dates, both Sold Out), Milton Keynes, Leeds.

#### Geoff's video, website and social media links:

For a wide variety of panel show, stand up and political clips, check out Geoff's YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/user/GeoffNorcott

Website: www.geoffnorcott.co.uk Twitter: @GeoffNorcott For images: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/r8w2o9t5s7bvucp/AACthUds0pvDt8q2wMDJBOqAa?dl=0

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