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### The Libertines To Headline 10th Birthday Party

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Clean Bandit, Fatboy Slim, Jungle, Years & Years, the Courteeners, Sigma (Live) and Shura also announced for an incredible summer of live shows under the stars. Plus MTV UK Returns again to bring millions closer to the live action as exclusive broadcast partner.

Ibiza Rocks has been on an incredible, passion-fuelled rollercoaster of a ride through the Balearics for the past decade and the groundbreaking brand will celebrate with a line up that reflects the renegade journey, welcoming true festival giants and the best of the new breed. Rocks proudly announces the special **10th birthday show will be headlined by The Libertines**. Other acts confirmed for the 14-week series of starlit summer shows include Grammy Award winners **Clean Bandit**, 2014 Mercury Prize nominees **Jungle**, 2015's breakout band and BBC Sound Of winners **Years & Years**, DJ & Producer legend **Fatboy Slim**, festival giants **The Courteeners** and master Drum and Bass duo **Sigma**.

Since launching in 2005, Ibiza Rocks has quite simply destroyed preconceptions of Ibiza by bringing live music and fresh energy to the White Isle. Rocks changed the game in a dance-fuelled world and continue to lead the way for live music in Ibiza.

Cult heroes and music icons to a generation, **The Libertines**, will headline the world famous poolside Rocks stage for the hugely anticipated 10th Birthday Party. Pete Doherty and Carl Barat have individually influenced Rocks, having played separately with Babyshambles (2005) and Dirty Pretty Things (2006) at the very start. It was Pete's decision to play the 500 capacity beachside Bar M (now Ibiza Rocks Bar) that took the Rocks gigs from the dark back room of the big club to the open-air beach side setting. Recently announced as headliners of T in the Park, this will be rare opportunity for fans to see this massive festival headliner in a truly unique and intimate setting.

**Carl Barat, The Libertines said:** 'Ibiza Rocks is one of the greatest gigs there is. The strange and debauched energy of the place never fails to provide the perfect backdrop for bacchanalian reverie of the highest order. Everyone there is gonna be 'mad for it', I can't wait. One of those nights actually worth the b@stard hangover. Bring it.'

Andy McKay, Founder & CEO, Ibiza Rocks Group said: "The ultimate defining moment of Rocks was when we discovered that our future lay outdoors and that was the night Babyshambles played Bar M. It was the moment we found our time slot before midnight and the moment we discovered the energy created by a live band playing under the stars in Ibiza. It all clicked. It was that realisation that changing the soundtrack changed absolutely everything. By doing something that radical we skewed the whole direction of the future of Ibiza. To be celebrating 10 years on with a headline show from The Libertines, a truly iconic rock band reunited, is going to be one hell of a seminal moment for Ibiza Rocks. Roll on the next 10 years."

Kicking off the sun-drenched summer is a band that is seriously hot property right now. BRIT nominees and crowning champions of the BBC Sound of 2015 **Years & Years** have just sold out two headline dates at the acclaimed Shepherd's Bush Empire and will make their Ibiza Rocks debut when they headline the coveted Opening Party gig on 17th June. Talking of the shows, **Years & Years said:** "We can't wait to play Ibiza! We're looking forward to bringing the castanets back to the Balearics."

Closing the 10th Birthday Party celebrations are bonafide Rocks stars **The Courteeners**. The Manchester four piece sold out their forthcoming 20'000 capacity headline Heaton Park show in under an hour and are guaranteed to whip the 2'500 strong crowd into a rock 'n' roll frenzy at they bring Ibiza Rocks 10th Birthday celebrations to a very fitting finale.

Long time friend and supporter of Rocks is none other than the legend we know and love as **Fatboy Slim**. A true pioneering force in the music world, Fatboy Slim put on one of the stand out shows of last summer when he brought the house down with his 'East, Sleep, Rave, Repeat' live show at the Ibiza Rocks Hotel. With a brand new show in the making, this is set to be another phenomenal live production.

**Jungle** released their self-titled album to mass critical acclaim last summer and have fast become a 'must see' on the live scene. The thrilling seven piece live show showcases the mesmeric, kaleidoscopic modern soul that's been unmistakably born in the UK but has true global appeal. Supported by fast-rising solo female star **Shura**, a special show awaits.

Tom from Jungle commented: "Growing up you read about Ibiza Rocks and its like the pinnacle for a

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band, one of the coolest things you can do, to get out there and play in the sunshine. We're just really looking forward to getting out there."

Fresh from booking **Clean Bandit** for the inaugural Ibiza Rocks the Snow in December 2013, the Cambridge-based collective went on to score their first No.1 in January last year with their now Grammy Award-winning single 'Rather Be.' Having also played Ibiza Rocks last summer, Rocks has real love for this mesmorising four-piece and the feeling is mutual says Grace, *"We love Ibiza Rocks a lot. We always have the best time there and can't wait to play again."* 

Rocks started out to bring live music to rock kids who wanted to dance and dance kids who wanted to rock. **Sigma** is a classic example of a live act that can do just that. The Leeds duo smashed the charts last year with huge No.1 singles 'Bound 2' and 'Changing' feat. Paloma Faith. With a brand new live show, **Sigma said:** "So excited to be headlining Ibiza Rocks this year. It's a really fun venue and bringing our new live show to Ibiza will be pretty special!"

**MTV** has revealed that it will be the exclusive broadcast partner for Ibiza Rocks for the third year running. The network plans to broadcast a number of exclusive artist interviews, live performances and all the highlights from the 14-week long series from the Ibiza Rocks Hotel this summer. As with both years previously, London based production company JJ Stereo will produce all the content, which will be hosted by Laura Whitmore.

The Ibiza Rocks brand consistently boasts a bill crammed with the biggest international artists, best breakthrough talent and cutting edge DJs. Summer 2015 will see the celebration of Ibiza Rocks 10th Birthday during the 14 weeklong season of spectacular outdoor gigs. The pioneering brand has also expanded with the launch of its first major festival, Croatia Rocks, taking place on the Island of Pag in July (www.croatiarocks.com).

Ibiza Rocks 2015 line up so far: 17/06 OPENING PARTY WITH YEARS & YEARS 24/06 SIGMA (LIVE) 01/07 JUNGLE | SHURA 22/07 10TH BIRTHDAY PARTY WITH THE LIBERTINES 05/08 CLEAN BANDIT 02/09 FATBOY SLIM 16/09 CLOSING PARTY WITH THE COURTEENERS

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