

PEARL JAM ANNOUNCES THE REISSUE OF BAND'S DEBUT ALBUM, TEN: FOUR SPECIAL EDITION PACKAGES IN STORES MARCH 24, 2009

PRE-SALE OF SUPER DELUXE EDITION BEGINS TODAY AT PEARLJAM.COM

Album extras found across the four editions of *Ten* include:

Remaster of original Ten album + remix by producer Brendan O'Brien •

DVD of previously unreleased 1992 Pearl Jam MTV Unplugged performance with 5.1 surround sound audio remix • LP of the band's 1992 "Drop in the Park" concert •

Replica of Pearl Jam three-song demo cassette with Eddie Vedder's original vocal dubs • Recreation of Eddie Vedder composition notebook • Never before seen memorabilia • Bonus tracks and more.

SEATTLE – *Ten*, the debut album that sold 12 million copies and introduced the world to **Pearl Jam** in 1991, will be reissued in four (4) new and expanded editions. Pre-orders of the Super Deluxe Edition begin today, December 10, 2008, through the band's Ten Club at www.pearljam.com, with all four editions available at retail on March 24, 2009. The reissue of *Ten* serves as the launch of a planned two-year catalogue re-release campaign leading up to the band's 20th anniversary in 2011.

Each *Ten* package will include two versions of the album: the remastered version of the original album **PLUS** an accompanying remixed version done by the band's long-time producer, Brendan O'Brien (Bruce Springsteen, AC/DC, Audioslave). Details on specific extras for each of the four packages are attached.

"The band loved the original mix of *Ten*, but were also interested in what it would sound like if I were to deconstruct and remix it," **says producer Brendan O'Brien**. "The original *Ten* sound is what millions of people bought, dug and loved, so I was initially hesitant to mess around with that. After years of persistent nudging from the band, I was able to wrap my head around the idea of offering it as a companion piece to the original – giving a fresh take on it, a more direct sound."

TEN RE-DESIGN

Pearl Jam bassist Jeff Ament, who served as the art director for the original Ten packaging, reprised his role

for the reissues collaborating with designer, Andy Fischer, of Cameron Crowe's *Vinyl Films* (*Into the Wild* soundtrack LP, *Vanilla Sky* soundtrack LP, *Harold and Maude* anniversary edition soundtrack LP).

"The goal was to assemble the ultimate fan-piece," **explains Fischer.** "Something Pearl Jam lovers could pore over as they experience an indelible record all over again, in an entirely new way."

REPLICA OF PEARL JAM THREE-SONG DEMO CASSETTE IN SUPER DELUXE EDITION

In the process of digging through his archives for this project, Ament came across an old cassette marked "Momma-Son" – the fabled original Pearl Jam demo tape featuring the first recorded versions of "Alive," "Once" and "Footsteps." Ament and guitarists Stone Gossard and Mike McCready had recorded instrumental tracks of these songs to help solicit a singer for their newly formed band. Mutual friend - and then Red Hot Chili Peppers drummer - Jack Irons suggested they send the tape down to San Diego surfer and little-known singer Eddie Vedder.

Completely inspired by what he heard from these musicians that he then only knew by name, Vedder quickly wrote lyrics, put these vocals to the music tracks and shipped the tape back to Seattle. Upon hearing how Vedder had transformed the songs, Ament, Gossard and McCready asked him to come up to Seattle so they could meet and have an official "tryout" together. Shortly thereafter, Pearl Jam was born. (A replica of the "Momma-Son" cassette will be included in the Super Deluxe Edition of *Ten*.)

Jeff Ament describes the experience of re-visiting that tape with singer Eddie Vedder: "I think the first time that Ed or I had opened any of those boxes was a few weeks ago. I knew that the original 'Momma-Son' cassette was somewhere, but I hadn't listened to it in 17, 18, 19 years. It was cool to sit down and play it for the first time with Ed and see his reaction. And to find that 90% of it stayed exactly the same as what ended up on the record. A lot of elements were identical. There was some energy flying around at that point even from 1,300 miles away from Seattle to San Diego."

ABOUT TEN

Pearl Jam released *Ten* on August 27, 1991. The album reached #2 on the *Billboard* 200 chart, sold over 12 million copies and became one of the cultural touchstones of the 1990s. Songs such as "Alive," "Black," "Even Flow" and "Jeremy" became staples of rock radio, and still make frequent appearances on the band's ever-changing concert setlists. The album was produced by Rick Parasher. Pearl Jam's 1991 lineup was Jeff Ament (bass), Stone Gossard (guitar), Dave Krusen (drums), Mike McCready (guitar) and Eddie Vedder (vocals).

ORIGINAL TEN TRACKLISTING

Once

Even Flow

Alive

Why Go

Black

Jeremy

Oceans

Porch

Garden

Deep

Release

Master/Slave (hidden track)

THE FOUR EDITIONS OF TEN: ALBUM EXTRAS PER PACKAGE

1. Legacy Edition (2-disc set in mini-LP style slipcase):

- **Disc 1:** original *Ten* tracklisting digitally remastered (original mix)
- **Disc 2:** original *Ten* tracklisting digitally remastered and remixed by Brendan O'Brien, plus six bonus tracks: "Brother," "Just a Girl," "State of Love and Trust," "Breath and a Scream," "2,000 Mile Blues" and "Evil Little Goat"
- Re-designed packaging

2. Deluxe Edition (2-disc set plus DVD specially designed hardbound package):

- **Disc 1**: original *Ten* tracklisting digitally remastered (original mix)
- **Disc 2**: original *Ten* tracklisting digitally remastered and remixed by Brendan O'Brien, plus six bonus tracks: "Brother," "Just a Girl," "State of Love and Trust," "Breath and a Scream," "2,000 Mile Blues" and "Evil Little Goat"
- **DVD** of Pearl Jam's previously unreleased 1992 *MTV Unplugged* performance including never before seen bonus performance of "Oceans" with 5.1 surround sound audio remix

3. Vinyl Collection (2-LP set)

- LP 1: original *Ten* tracklisting remastered for vinyl
- **LP 2**: original *Ten* tracklisting remastered for vinyl and remixed by Brendan O'Brien

4. Super Deluxe Edition (2-disc set plus DVD, 4 LPs and replica cassette in linen-covered, slip-cased clamshell box):

- **Disc 1**: original *Ten* tracklisting digitally remastered (original mix)
- **Disc 2**: original *Ten* tracklisting digitally remastered and remixed by Brendan O'Brien, plus six bonus tracks: "Brother," "Just a Girl," "State of Love and Trust," "Breath and a Scream," "2,000 Mile Blues" and "Evil Little Goat"
- **DVD** of Pearl Jam's previously unreleased 1992 *MTV Unplugged* performance including never before seen bonus performance of "Oceans" with 5.1 surround sound audio remix
- **LP 1**: original *Ten* tracklisting remastered for vinyl
- LP 2: original *Ten* tracklisting remastered for vinyl and remixed by Brendan O'Brien
- **LP 3 & 4**: Drop in the Park Live at Magnuson Park in Seattle on September 20, 1992 (audio mixed by Brendan O'Brien)
- Cassette: replica of original "Momma-Son" Pearl Jam demo cassette featuring "Alive," "Once" and "Footsteps"
- Package also includes an **Eddie Vedder-style composition notebook** filled with replica personal notes, images and mementos from the collections of Eddie Vedder and Jeff Ament, a vellum envelope with replicated era-specific ephemera from Pearl Jam's early work and a two-sided print commemorating the Drop in the Park concert.

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