

MAINE'S JASON SPOONER TO RELEASE *SEA MONSTER* OCTOBER 26
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Sea Monster, the third album from the Maine-based singer-songwriter **Jason Spooner**, is set for release **October 26**. This is the follow-up to Spooner's highly praised sophomore album *The Flame You Follow*, which was praised by Sirius XM as "a very rare and special record that is destined to put him on the musical map," and earned him national overhead rotation at Starbucks. *Sea Monster* is similarly well received, becoming the #3 most added record at AAA radio alongside acts including Tom Petty, Guster and Los Lobos.

Co-produced by Spooner and Jonathan Wyman, *Sea Monster* was recorded in Maine with longtime touring bandmates Adam Frederick on bass and Reed Chambers on drums, and features a guest appearance from veteran pedal steel virtuoso Bucky Baxter. "I think we definitely unearthed some new territory with this record," says Spooner. "We spent countless winter months in my drummer's attic shaping these tunes from the ground up as a band."

Sea Monster is a departure from Spooner's previous releases. He explains, "In the past, I had been so focused on making acoustic music that the electric was relegated to more of a supporting role...one of the smaller brushes in the batch. This time around, I just focused on the right guitar for the right song. There's no question that the electrics ended up front and center on this record and I'm very happy with the progression."

Spooner has received overwhelming recognition for his songwriting talents from prestigious outlets including Mountain Stage and Starbucks Music Makers, and has won Portland Phoenix's annual "Best Singer/Songwriter" title numerous times. Other highlights include Jason's song "Pickup Truck" airing on NPR's "Car Talk" program and a national appearance on **The Food Network's "FoodNation with Bobby Flay."** Jason Spooner has toured extensively over the past few years, sharing the stage with artists including Ray LaMontagne, Brandi Carlile, Guster, Amos Lee, Blues Traveler, Kathleen Edwards, and more, and has performed at several music festivals nationwide including SXSW.

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