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## All the world's problems will be solved by comedian Corey White when his show hits screens on ABC in May



Screening as part of the ABC's Wednesday entertainment line-up, **Corey White's Roadmap to Paradise** is a 10-part series, premiering on Wednesday 2 May at 9.40pm on ABC & ABC iview, or viewers can watch the complete series on iview after episode one airs.

The world's got some crushing problems; some overwhelming, terrifying, civilisation crushing problems. The best and brightest have been trying to solve them for decades, even centuries. The entire hive mind of humanity has failed to solve its most vexing challenges so maybe it's time to turn to the next least best option and ask a three-time university dropout and ex-ice addict what he's got kicking around in his solution box. The ABC did just that, and the result is **Corey White's Roadmap To Paradise**.

**Corey White's Roadmap to Paradise** is a brand-new series like no other, which will see comedian Corey White try to solve the biggest problems facing everyday Australians. **Corey White's Roadmap To Paradise** will set Corey on a collision course with conventional wisdom as he takes on an urgent structural issue in each of the series' ten episodes. At the end of this series, Corey will have had a shot at fixing **Democracy, Australia Day, Environmentalism, Capitalism, Gambling, Domestic Violence, War on Drugs, Foster Care, Terrorism, and Housing**.



This series unites an array of voices that you rarely hear on TV and lives in a unique genre of its own combining expert interviews, comedy sketches and Corey's raw monologues. Corey is spectacularly unqualified to propose how to fix the world's most urgent problems, but that's not going to stop him from having a go (plus he has his own *Australian Story* episode which he figures counts for something).

## **ABOUT COREY:**

What Corey lacks in bachelor degrees he makes up for in life experience. Corey grew up in house filled with violence and after his mother died from a heroin overdose when he was just ten, he entered the foster care system full-time. During his time in foster care he was subjected to years of ongoing physical, mental and sexual abuse. It was so bad that when he ended up in a psychiatric hospital it was like staying in a fancy Airbnb.

When drug addiction didn't work out for Corey, he turned to stand-up comedy, which it turns out he was pretty good at. So good in fact, his debut show *The Cane Toad Effect* saw him win Best Show at the 2014 Sydney Fringe and Best Newcomer Award at the 2015 Melbourne International Comedy Festival and Sydney Comedy Festival. Now Corey's bringing his unique perspective to talk about the problems that keep him awake at night. He'll offer you his overly confident solutions, leaving the question of viability to others.

Up until now someone with Corey's story would be the subject of a doco, not the narrator. It's time we heard what the world looks like from the outside looking in, perhaps helping people charged with making our world better see past the trough their noses are shoved in.

Created and written by and starring Corey White, produced by Guesswork Television and directed by award-winning director, writer and presenter Madeleine Parry, this is a program made by a young team, exploring what it means to be a millennial anxious about what tomorrow may bring. Not afraid to be wrong or change his mind, **Corey White's Roadmap to Paradise** gives a voice to the concerns and ideas from the next generation.

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