

Damien Rice premieres new song “The Greatest Bastard” — listen

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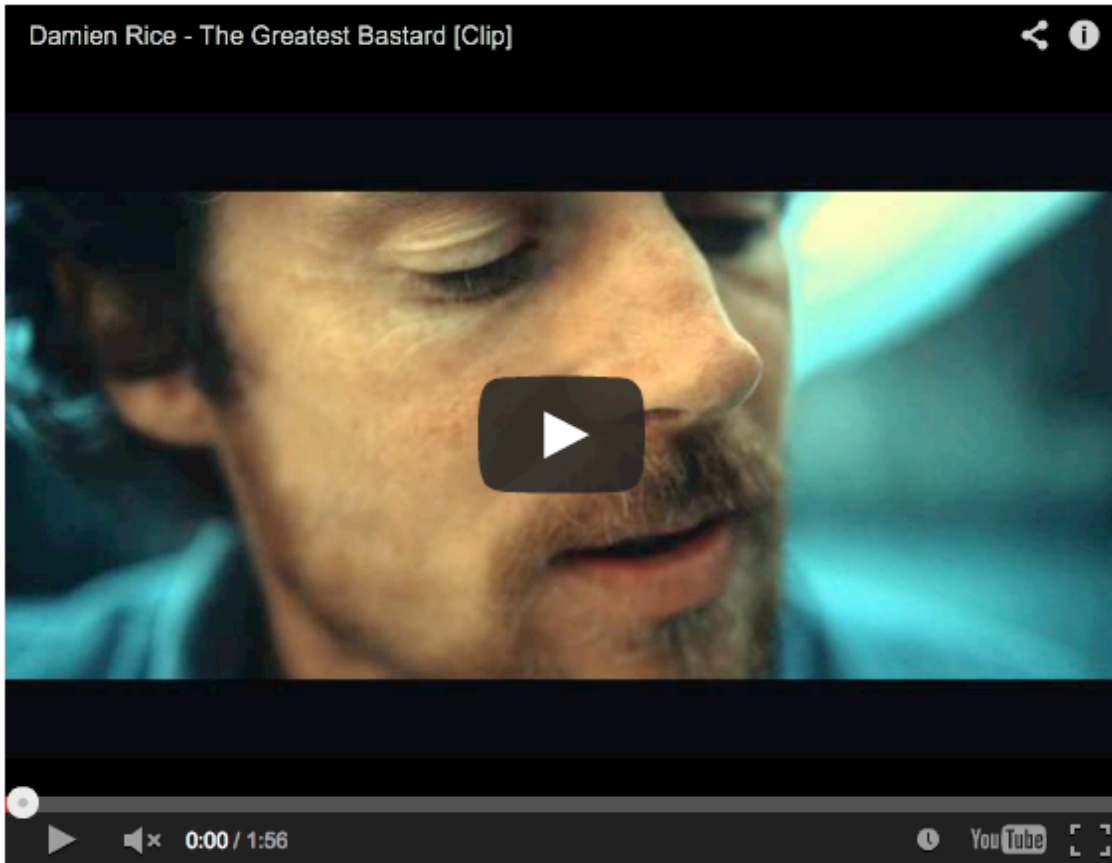
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In less than two weeks, [Damien Rice](#) will return with his new album, *My Favourite Faded Fantasy*. Produced by Rick Rubin, it serves as his third LP to date and first since 2006’s [9](#). In anticipation, the Irish singer-songwriter has unveiled a new song entitled “The Greatest Bastard”.

Much like on previous offerings [“I Don’t Want to Change You”](#) and [the title track](#), Rice reflects deeply on a relationship. However, between his hushed croon, barely-there traces of an acoustic guitar, and truly gut-wrenching lyrics (“Am I the greatest bastard that you met? The only one you can’t forget?” and “Am I just dreaming once again? Some dreams are better when they end.”), the song just might be one of his most heartbreaking works to date à la 2002’s “The Blower’s Daughter”.

Listen in below, followed by a short video clip.



My Favourite Faded Fantasy arrives on November 11th via Warner Music. In support of the LP, Rice will be touring North America for the rest of the year. Consult his full schedule [here](#).