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Dierks Bentley Opens His Own Show in Disguise, Dupes Fans



Dierks Bentley's What the Hell Tour, playing amphitheaters throughout the summer, features Cole Swindell and Jon Pardi in the support slots. But early-arriving fans have also been catching another, unbilled, opener, the Bolo Boys Bluegrass Band.

To those in the lawn seats, the Bolo Boys look like a nondescript group of string players. But keen-eyed fans in the first few rows may recognize the guitar player in the big hat and sunglasses as Bentley himself. The country star has been donning a disguise to join the Bolo Boys – members of his own band – for a quick set of bluegrass jams. During a recent show in Pennsylvania, they even performed a track off Bentley's own bluegrass-inspired album, 2010's *Up on the Ridge*.

The singer has a longstanding love affair with bluegrass, falling in with a group of players at Nashville club the Station Inn upon moving to town. In support of *Up on the Ridge*, he launched a corresponding club tour that leaned heavily on string instruments. His current What the Hell Tour runs through the fall.