



## SPECTACLE: ELVIS COSTELLO WITH...

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*Songsmith makes credible bid for Jonathan Ross's job.*

In 2003, with David Letterman immobilised by shingles, Elvis Costello guest-hosted Late Show With... and joked that he wanted the job permanently. First shown in 2008, *Spectacle...* proves that wasn't wild fantasy. The 13 episodes here find guests including Sir Elton John, Smokey Robinson and Bill Clinton picking through their musical history and influences and performing alongside Costello. He's no Paxman but Costello's drifting interview style is underpinned by a warmth and knowledge that his guests respond to. And anyone who can elicit a smile from Lou Reed has earned their presenting chops. **MATT MASON**

AUTUMN DEVILDE

Costello -- Q Magazine

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