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**Festive Highlights  
2025**



### ITV's propulsive thriller takes flight again in January with Jing Lusi reprising her role as DS Hana Li for a new investigation alongside guest star Martin Compston.

Joining Jing and Martin in the highly pressurised rollercoaster world of Red Eye: Crimson Icarus are Lesley Sharp and Jemma Moore who also return as Head of MI5 Madeline Delaney and journalist Jess Li.

Inside the US Embassy, the celebrations for a newly-appointed US Ambassador to London are shattered when a call threatening to blow a British plane out of the sky if anyone leaves triggers an immediate embassy lockdown and traps guests and staff inside.

That's when the murders begin, landing Hana Li, as a British cop, in a political and jurisdictional nightmare. Compelled to join forces with the Head of Embassy Security, Clay Brody, played by Martin Compston, a former colleague who once screwed her over, Hana has to see her way past her distrust of him and focus on the investigation... because this time it's personal. The plane that will be blown up is a government jet and Director General Madeline Delaney is onboard.

With a killer wreaking havoc inside the Embassy and evading them at every turn, Hana and Brody must discover who is behind the treacherous plot before time runs out for the hostages within the Embassy and the passengers on board Delaney's plane.

Commissioned by ITV's Director of Drama Polly Hill, the high-octane drama launched last year with audiences in excess of eight million viewers and 29.3 million streams on ITVX, making Red Eye one of ITV's top-ten dramas of 2024.

### Production Details

Red Eye: Crimson Icarus is produced by Wales-based independent production company Bad Wolf with Peter A Dowling (Black and Blue, Flightplan), crafting and writing the intense and ambitious thriller full of his signature twists and turns. Jingan Young has written the third episode with Peter.

Kieron Hawkes (Power Book IV, Fortitude) returns to direct Episodes 1-3, with Camilla Strøm Henriksen (Grace, The Suspect) directing Episodes 4-6.

Red Eye consists of six new episodes.

Bad Wolf is the Sony Pictures Television-backed company founded in 2015 by Jane Tranter and Julie Gardner, who are the producers of Doctor Who, Industry, The Winter King, His Dark Materials, I Hate Suzie, and A Discovery of Witches.

Award-winning producer Julie Gardner (I Hate Suzie, Doctor Who) executive produces the new series alongside Peter A Dowling and Lachlan MacKinnon (Industry, A Discovery of Witches). Chris May (Litvinenko, Doctor Who) has produced the series.

# Royal Carols: Together at Christmas

## Royal Carols Together At Christmas

### Production Details

'Together at Christmas' will be filmed for broadcast and has been developed and delivered in partnership with Westminster Abbey, as a co-production between The Royal Foundation and BBC Studios Events Productions.

**The Princess of Wales will host her fifth 'Together at Christmas' Carol Service at Westminster Abbey on Friday 5th December, which will air as part of a special programme on ITV1 and ITvX on Christmas Eve.**

This year, the Service will bring people together to celebrate love in all its forms - whether it's love within families, through friendships, across communities or even through powerful moments of connection with strangers.

Supported by The Royal Foundation, the annual Carol Service is spearheaded by The Princess of Wales. This year, Her Royal Highness wanted to recognise and thank the many people around the country who are acting with love in their communities, contributing to a more cohesive and connected society.

On Friday 5th December, Westminster Abbey will be filled with 1,600 people connected to the theme of love. Individuals may have dedicated or volunteered their time to be present with others, fronted initiatives that bring people in their community together, or shown kindness and empathy to those around them. These guests will be joined by members of the Royal Family and recognisable faces who in their own ways have created and shown love to foster compassion and togetherness.

Combining traditional and modern elements to encompass people of all faiths and none, the service will see the world-renowned Westminster Abbey choir perform some of the nation's most beloved carols, alongside musical performances and readings by guests including Hannah Waddingham, Dan Smith, Kate Winslet and Chiwetel Ejiofor. The Service will also showcase stories of some of the incredible guests in the congregation, who are leading by example and helping to create a more connected society. Before guests enter the Abbey, they will enjoy music by young performers from Future Talent, a charity co-founded by the late Duchess of Kent to support musically-gifted children.



#### Production Details

Lionsgate Television and 3 Arts Entertainment.

**Sophie O'Neil (Brittany Snow) had an idyllic life in Boston, Massachusetts with her son and loving husband Graham (Evan Jonigkeit) until a traumatic event shook their family's foundation.**

Certain that a fresh start is the cure; her husband uproots them from the East Coast to east Texas - there Sophie grapples with her spiraling anxiety and jarring new surroundings.

She then encounters the enigmatic Margo Banks (Malin Åkerman), who is married to the gregarious Jed Banks (Dermot Mulroney), Graham's boss.

Sophie soon finds herself enmeshed with Margo and thrust into the extravagant lives of her exclusive inner circle of privileged and affluent girlfriends known as the Hunting Wives.

Both tantalising forces unlock Sophie's deepest desires and forgotten needs - when a local young woman is murdered and shockwaves are sent throughout their small community, Sophie, Margo, and the Hunting Wives find themselves entangled in the mystery.

As they try to protect their own, the group starts to question what they think they see - and nothing prepares Sophie for what is about to happen next.

# Super Pumped: The Battle for Uber



**Emmy® winner Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Emmy winner Kyle Chandler, and Oscar® and Emmy nominee Uma Thurman star in a drama series, based on real events, that comes to ITV this December.**

The show tells the story of one of Silicon Valley's most successful and most destructive unicorns, Uber.

The series pivots on Travis Kalanick (Gordon-Levitt), Uber's hard-charging CEO who was ultimately ousted in a boardroom coup, and his sometimes tumultuous relationship with his mentor Bill Gurley (Chandler), the plainspoken, brilliant Texan venture capitalist who bets his sterling reputation on Uber's success and then has to live with the consequences.

Even amid the radical upheaval generated within the global tech capital, Uber stands out as both a marvel and a cautionary tale, featuring internal and external battles that ripple with unpredictable consequences.

Based on Mike Isaac's bestselling book *Super Pumped: The Battle for Uber*, the series forms part of an anthology series produced by SHOWTIME and distributed by Paramount Global Content Distribution.

## Production Details

Brian Koppelman and David Levien (*BILLIONS*, *Rounders*) and Beth Schacter (Soundtrack), write, executive produce and serve as showrunners on the series.

Paul Schiff, Stephen Schiff and Allyce Ozarski also executive produce and Isaac co-executive produced the project.

Paramount Global Content Distribution.



**The story of enigmatic Isabelle (Teresa Palmer), who moves into a small seaside cul-de-sac where her obsessive drive to solve a mystery casts suspicion on four neighbouring families.**

Based on New York Times bestselling author Sally Hepworth's novel of the same name, Isabelle's quest to reunite one family will have consequences for them all...

#### Production Details

Adapted for television by award-winning screenwriter Sarah Scheller (Strife, The Letdown), The Family Next Door is also written by Pip Karmel (Total Control), Julia Moriarty (Total Control) and Andrew Anastasios (Troppo).

Beyond Entertainment and Muse Entertainment Enterprises.

# The Masked Singer Christmas Special



## Production Details

Bandicoot Productions (part of Argonon).

Four famous faces take to the stage and compete in elaborate costumes keeping their identities hidden - as each celebrity performs, our superstar panel of detectives try to unravel the clues and work out their identities of TV's best-kept secret.

Who will be gifted The Masked Singer crown this Christmas? The award-winning show is hosted by Joel Dommett, who is joined by panellists Jonathan Ross, Maya Jama, Davina McCall and Mo Gilligan.

Also joining the show will be a host of pantomime icons spreading their Christmas cheer with extra clues for the panel... but will these extra presents help our panel decipher who's hiding behind the mask?

# The Masked Singer



## Production Details

Bandicoot Productions (part of Argonon).

**Prepare to commence the New Year with more cries of 'Take it off!' as a brand-new series of The Masked Singer comes to our screens.**

Davina McCall, Maya Jama, Jonathan Ross and Mo Gilligan are heading back to their detective chairs as the nation's favourite guessing game begins all over again.

The panel will be joined by an array of guest panelists throughout the series who will be joining in on all of the action and hoping that they can guess who is masquerading behind the mask.

The affable Joel Dommett returns as host as the hit BAFTA-winning show that continues to grip the nation returns for its seventh series.

A fresh batch of famous faces will don a line-up of extraordinary and elaborate costumes, in a bid to disguise their identities, as they sing in front of a studio audience and our celebrity judging panel.

This year's cast follow in the footsteps of an array of superstars including Dionne Warwick, NeYo, Richie Sambora, Prue Leith, Daisy May Cooper, Gregory Porter, Grayson Perry, Glenn Hoddle, Mel Giedroyc, Lorraine Kelly, Jason Manford, Jake Shears, Sir Lenny Henry, Joss Stone and more.



#### Production Details

Magnum Media.

The award-winning The 1% Club returns this autumn for a brand-new special week-long rollover event that turns the Saturday night version of The 1% Club into a supersized five-day stripped primetime event in The 1% Club Rollover.

The 1% Club Rollover shares the same game mechanics as The 1% Club, but this time it's bigger than ever. The 1% Club Rollover enables the prize pot that's not won on one show, to rollover to the next day's show.

If all the pots rollover, there could be an astonishing amount of up to £500,000 won - the Rollover has another rule, that anyone who gets as far as the 1% question automatically comes back to compete again.

This means that if someone wins big on one show, they get to come back for the next day's show where they could potentially win the Prize Pot again and, in effect, double (or even treble or quadruple) their winnings.



### Production Details

South Shore and Mitre Studios.

### Stephen Mulhern and Ant & Dec star in a brand new travel format.

Catchphrase and Deal or No Deal host Stephen is a man who likes what he knows - and that does not include travelling to exotic locations, trying new foods, or being pushed out of his comfort zone in any way.

Now Stephen has asked Ant & Dec to help him finally change his ways... and they have decided to send their good friend to Asia to broaden his horizons.

Heading to South Korea, Stephen encounters exotic cultures and cuisines, incredible people and places, and exhilarating activities he would never have chosen for himself.

In this one-off special, Stephen will be thrust out of his comfort zone to see if he can truly unearth the adventurer within - with Ant & Dec taking their cues from their favourite viral clips, they are sending Stephen somewhere he has never been before in an effort to help to test his resolve and push his boundaries.

Will this ultimate immersive experience make Stephen finally embrace the unknown and unleash his inner traveller?



### Production Details

Lifted Entertainment.

## **Jason Manford hosts the Royal Variety Performance 2025 with a 40th anniversary celebration of Les Misérables, music from Jessie J, BGT winner Harry Moulding and a performance from Paddington The Musical.**

The world's longest-running entertainment show returns to the Royal Albert Hall in London with Jason Manford taking the reins for the evening in the presence of members of the Royal Family as opera star Katherine Jenkins leads the National Anthem.

As ever, the night promises a star-studded line-up with this year's show including:

A show-stopping finale from the multi-award-winning musical Les Misérables, which will see 400 performers take to the stage including Michael Ball, Matt Lucas, Katy Secombe, Bradley Jaden, Killian Donnelly - along with the West End and Paris casts, plus amateur companies from all over the UK - to perform a medley celebrating the show's 40th anniversary.

An exclusive from Paddington The Musical introduced by composer Tom Fletcher.

Music from Jessie J, who will be performing a very personal song, I'll Never Know Why, taken from her upcoming album, and one of Britain's most successful and best-loved bands, Madness, make their debut appearance, plus Grammy Award-winning Laufey.

National treasure Sir Stephen Fry will also make a guest appearance, hot off the stage from the West End production of The Importance of Being Earnest.

There'll be a spectacular, magical illusion from Britain's Got Talent winner Harry Moulding and comedy from Tom Davis, Mick Miller plus the award-winning impressionist cast from the hit BBC series Dead Ringers.

Sir Bob Geldof, Midge Ure and special guests will introduce a one-off performance from the Live Aid musical Just For One Day, plus Johannes Radebe showcasing a glittering extract from the award-winning musical Kinky Boots.

America's Got Talent winners Adrian Stoica and his border collie Hurricane will make their British debut and wow audiences with a special choreographed routine.

# Torvill & Dean: The Last Dance



## Production Details

FilmNova.

**This documentary follows ice skating legends Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean as they embarked on their last-ever tour Our Last Dance.**

The film, made by FilmNova, explores Torvill and Dean's career, looks back on their professional highlights, and follows the skating duo as they train and prepare to say goodbye to their fans and dance on ice together one last time.

In this one-off programme, audiences will follow these British sporting icons throughout their final year as performers, from their preparations and last-ever television performance on Dancing on Ice - and those early gruelling training sessions and first rehearsals for their farewell tour in Aberdeen - through to the iconic first performance of the live tour at Wembley Arena and throughout their shows across the UK.

# The Big Soap Quiz - Coronation Street v Emmerdale



Lifted Entertainment.

## **The Big Quiz: Coronation Street v Emmerdale is back this Christmas and bigger than ever before.**

Stephen Mulhern returns to present the annual quiz with members of the Coronation Street and Emmerdale cast - two titans of the ITV soap world - going head-to-head.

This year, there are larger teams, more hilarious moments, two returning soap legends and even a special cross-over Corriedale round.

Captaining the teams again this year are Coronation Street's David Platt - Jack P. Shepherd - and Emmerdale's Marlon Dingle, Mark Charnock.

Alongside their teammates, they will battle it out to see who knows more about this year's storylines.

Which soap will reign supreme? Join us as we celebrate another fantastic year, from the Yorkshire Dales to the cobbles of Weatherfield.

Entertainment

# Christmas Specials



ITV presents a raft of Christmas specials this festive season, including **Bullseye**, **Catchphrase**, **Ant & Dec's Limitless Win**, **Romesh Ranganathan's Parents' Evening**, **The 1% Club**, **Wheel of Fortune**, **Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?** and **You Bet!**

## Bullseye

Host Freddie Flintoff is joined by three pairs of contestants each made up of a keen darts player (the 'thrower') and their partner (the 'knower') - the teams compete against each other, combining their skills at throwing darts at different game boards whilst answering questions correctly for points and prizes under the watchful eye of official scorer 'Little' Richard Ashdown.

Freddie is also joined by former darts world champion 'Mighty' Michael van Gerwen as they combine to try to complete a charity challenge.

## Catchphrase

Mel Giedroyc, Bill Bailey, and Vanessa Williams join Stephen Mulhern for a festive edition of **Celebrity Catchphrase** - the trio will be trying to 'say what they see' and guess well-known phrases for a chance to win £50,000 for their charity.

## Ant & Dec's Limitless Win

Presented by Britain's favourite double act Ant & Dec, the hit primetime quiz show is back with a festive Christmas special. This Christmas, the show takes on an even more heartwarming twist as, for the first time ever, two unsuspecting members of the audience are given the surprise of their lives - the chance to take on the Limitless Ladder with a celebrity partner and climb their way to a fortune.

## The 1% Club Christmas Special

The award-winning **The 1% Club** returns with a Yuletide special this Christmas - hosted by Lee Mack, this one-off edition will feature festive-based questions for another 100 contestants who will be whittled down as they compete to make it to the end and answer a question that only 1% of the country can get right.

## Production Details

**Bullseye:** Potato.

**Catchphrase:** STV.

**Ant & Dec's Limitless Win:** Hello Dolly.

**The 1% Club Christmas Special:** Magnum Media.

**Romesh Ranganathan's Parents' Evening:** Ranga Bee Productions.

**Wheel of Fortune:** Whisper North.

**Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Christmas Special:** Stellify Media.

**You Bet! On Tour Christmas Special:** Produced by Rollercoaster Television (part of ITV Studios). Based on the successful format **Wanna bet?** ('Wetten, dass..?') from German pubcaster ZDF Studios.

# Christmas Specials

## Romesh Ranganathan's Parents' Evening

The familiar game show rounds out its hilarious second series with a joyous Christmas Eve special featuring Larry Lamb and his son George, Motsi Mabuse and her mum Dudu, and Josh Widdicombe and his dad Tom - as ever, Romesh's mum Shanthi keeps score and brings extra festive banter.

## Wheel of Fortune

It's Christmas on Wheel of Fortune and Graham Norton is bringing the festive magic! In this special edition, families from across the UK step up to the wheel in pairs each hoping to unwrap a grand prize of £50,000 - who will sleigh the puzzle board and take home the jackpot?

## Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Christmas Special

Settle in for a festive edition of Celebrity Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?, hosted once again by Jeremy Clarkson. A new line-up of well-known faces will take their places in the famous hot seat, each hoping to climb the money ladder and raise funds for their chosen charities. Over the years, the show has welcomed a wide range of famous contestants, from comedians and actors to sporting legends and TV personalities all eager to test their knowledge for a good cause.

## You Bet! On Tour Christmas Special

Following an action-packed series crammed full of mind-blowing feats, big-name celebrities and nail-biting suspense, You Bet! On Tour is back this festive season for a one-off Christmas special. Hosted by Stephen Mulhern from the enchanting Kimbolton Castle, a sleighful of hopefuls take on challenges to complete for a £5,000 prize - they face a panel including Alison Hammond, Nick Mohammed and Rob Beckett who are all vying to be crowned as the Christmas You Bet! champion.



#### Production Details

South Shore.

Step behind the shop floor with a very special behind-the-scenes look at what makes Christmas so special at the nation's favourite store, Marks & Spencer.

Inside M&S at Christmas offers unprecedented access during the retailer's busiest seasonal period - this year the team are reinventing classics, developing their sell-out panettone, creating fish and chip-inspired canapes and even a Christmas Cracker Colin the Caterpillar.



#### Production Details

Filmed and produced by Global's production team.

Global Founder Ashley Tabor-King OBE is executive producer, Elizabeth Honan is creative director, Dave Skinner is the director, and Carl Trumpess is producer.

**Capital's Jingle Bell Ball with Barclaycard, the UK's biggest Christmas party, is back this festive season - hosted by Jordan North, Chris Stark and Sian Welby, the event's highlights will air in an entertainment special on ITV1 and ITVX.**

Capital's huge live events bring the world's biggest hit music stars together at some of the UK's most iconic venues, and now viewers can experience all the action as ITV brings the best moments of this unmissable event to TV screens.

Get ready for world-class performances from a star-studded line-up and a festive celebration packed with unforgettable moments!

# Steve Backshall's Royal Arctic Challenge



## Production Details

Fresh Start Media.

**A film following environmentalist Steve Backshall retracing a young Prince Charles' 1975 arctic adventure as His Majesty The King speaks to Steve about the impact of climate change.**

This brand-new documentary follows adventurer Steve Backshall as he looks at the impact of climate change first-hand, with an unprecedented discussion with King Charles about the devastating effects as well as looking back at rare archive footage from the 1975 Arctic trip.

The spectacular and dramatic feature-length film will be shown as part of ITV's Christmas schedule and will see environmentalist and adventurer Steve Backshall retrace the monarch's steps from his 1975 trip to the Canadian Arctic exactly fifty years on, rediscovering the young Prince Charles' extreme sense of adventure, enjoying the warmth and spirit of local people, and finding out how much has changed fifty years on.



## Unwrap ITV's staggering collection of 400+ free films for Christmas 2025.

Iconic festive films, mega Hollywood blockbusters, exciting TV premieres and family favourites are all free and - across hundreds of titles, including Love Actually - exclusively available to watch and stream on ITV and ITvX this holiday season.

From Red One to The Batman via Mamma Mia!, Big and Ghostbusters, you can also enjoy The Grinch, How To Train Your Dragon, It's a Wonderful Life, Top Gun and - quite literally - hundreds more.

Can't get enough? Stream 24/7 on the ITvX Xmas Movies channel too with films including The Christmas Chalet, Christmas at Maple Creek, and Christmas Chocolatier.

