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selected credits

24 Hours in Police Custody (The Garden / Channel 4)

Documentary following detectives as they investigate serious crimes, capturing justice in action.

Simon Cowell: The Next Act (Box To Box / Netflix)

Six-part series following the music mogul's attempt to create the next global boy band.

007: Road to a Million - Season 2 (72 Films / Amazon Studios)

Teams compete to win £1m in a competition show spin-off of the James Bond franchise.

Inside the FBI (October Films / National Geographic / Disney+)

Documentary series charting the challenges and controversies faced by the FBI in its early years.

Erased: World War II's Heroes of Color (October Films / National Geographic / Disney+)

Drama doc highlighting the forgotten heroes of decisive World War II battles.

The Other Mrs Jordan: Catching the Ultimate Conman (Circle Circle / October Films / ITVx)

Compelling true-crime documentary series on a bigamist con-man.

Formula 1: Drive to Survive - Season 5 & 6 (Box To Box / Netflix)

Sports Emmy 2025 Winner - Behind the scenes story of the high-octane sport.

Make or Break - Season 2 (Box To Box / Apple TV+)

Surfing docuseries capturing WSL athletes lives and the sacrifices they make to get to the top.

Turkey: Empire of Erdoğan (This World / BBC TWO)

The inside story of Recep Tayyip Erdoğan's journey to becoming the President of Turkey.

Big Oil v The World (This World / BBC TWO / Frontline)

What the fossil fuel industry knew about climate change more than four decades ago.

Police Custody: USA (The Garden / Channel 4 / Discovery)

Extraordinary police stories from one of the most dangerous communities in the mid-west.

54 Days: China and the Pandemic (This World / BBC TWO)

What China knew, and what they told the world, in the days before lockdown.

Bin Laden: The Road to 911 (Voltage / Channel 4)

From son of a billionaire to terrorist mastermind; the story of Bin Laden's rise to global infamy.

This is Football: Belief (October Films / Amazon Studios)

How Japan's Women's football team beat the odds, and a tsunami, to win the world cup.

Idris Elba's Fight School (Worker Bee / BBC 2)

Idris mentors eight young people as their lives are transformed through boxing.

The Black American Fight for Freedom (This World / BBC TWO)

50 years after the Civil Rights Act, why racial equality is yet to be achieved in the USA.

24 hours in A&E (The Garden / Channel 4)

Life at St. George's Hospital A&E, as the staff and patients cope with the coronavirus pandemic.

Race Across the World - Series 1 & 2 (Studio Lambert / BBC TWO)

BAFTA 2020 Winner - Five teams race across the world by land and sea.

First Dates - Lead Editor - Series 3, 4 & 5 (Twenty Twenty / Channel 4)

BAFTA 2016 Winner - Channel 4's popular reality dating show.

First Dates Hotel - Lead Editor (Twenty Twenty / Channel 4)

A six-part series developing the successful brand.

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Treasure Island (Shine / Channel 4)

Bear Grylls: The Island reboot, with the islanders competing against each other for a cash prize.

Lego Masters - Series 1 Ep 1 (Tuesday's Child / Channel 4)

The UK's most skilled brick fanatics do battle to be crowned Lego Master.

Win The Wilderness (Twofour / BBC TWO)

Six couples compete for the ownership of an extraordinary home in the Alaskan wilderness.

Kevin McCloud's Escape to the Wild (Optomen / Channel 4)

Incredible stories of ordinary people living in the most remote and inhospitable places on Earth.

The Real Marigold Hotel (Twofour / BBC ONE)

Eight famous senior citizens head to India on a three-week adventure.

Common People: Cam Girls (Pulse Films / BBC THREE)

Three strangers with someone in common discuss the impact of camming on young people.

Gordon, Gino & Fred's Great Christmas Roast (Studio Ramsay / ITV)

Gordon Ramsay and Gino D'Acampo battle it out to produce the ultimate festive menu.

Bride & Prejudice (7 Wonder / Channel 4)

Couples facing objections to their marriage bid to win their families' blessing.

Seven Year Switch (7 Wonder / Channel 4)

Four couples switch partners in a bid to save their failing relationships.

The BBC at War (Fresh One / BBC TWO)

Exploring the broadcasting revolution of WWII, and the changes that defined the BBC's future.

Ramsay's Costa Del Nightmares: Le Deck (Optomen / Channel 4)

Gordon heads to Europe to help a failing restaurant, in his usual inimitable style.

East 17: The Reunion (Endemol / Channel 4)

The inside story on the strange, violent and ultimately doomed East 17 reunion.

The Great British Bake Off (Love Productions / BBC)

Ten contestants compete against each other to find the best amateur baker.

Trauma Doctors - Series 1 & 2 (Cineflix / Channel 5)

Series following London's air ambulance and emergency trauma teams.

How We Built Britain (BBC ONE)

David Dimbleby presents a series touring Britain's great houses.

Dan Cruickshank's Marvels of the Modern Age (BBC TWO)

Dan Cruickshank explores the history and culture of modernism.

The Human Mind (BBC ONE)

Robert Winston's human sciences series.

Dan Cruickshank's Adventures in Architecture (BBC TWO)

Dan Cruickshank travels around the world looking at amazing architecture.

Francesco's Mediterranean Voyage (BBC TWO)

Francesco De Mosto makes a voyage of discovery across the Mediterranean Sea.

Big Brother & Celebrity Big Brother (Endemol / Channel 4 / Channel 5)

Lead editor on multiple series of Endemol's original reality show.