

BritBox July 2020 Highlights

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London, 19 June: BritBox today announced content launching on the site in July 2020.

Celebrating great British drama, content on the site next month includes *MotherFatherSon*, *Call the Midwife* and *The Trouble with Maggie Cole* among others.

Factual content fans haven't been forgotten; episodes of BAFTA's Screenwriters' Lecture Series have been added exclusively to the service alongside a collection of Louis Theroux's most captivating documentaries which will be available from month end. Enjoy the biggest box of British boxsets with BritBox.

2nd July

MotherFatherSon - exclusive to BritBox

An eight-part drama written by Tom Rob Smith and starring Richard Gere, Helen McCrory, Billy Howle, and Sarah Lancashire. Max (Richard Gere) owns one of the world's most influential media empires. Information is his trade: he holds dark secrets and uses his power ruthlessly. His son Caden (Billy Howle) is the youngest ever editor of Max's prized newspaper, The National Reporter. But Caden is crumbling under the pressure of his father's expectations, numbing his pain with drugs and excess. When Caden suffers a massive stroke, he's left like a helpless child, battling to rebuild his life.

BAFTA: Screenwriters' Lectures - exclusive to BritBox

The Screenwriters' Lecture Series exists to celebrate screenwriters' authorial contribution to film and gives esteemed writers a platform to share highlights and insights from their careers with an audience of film-lovers and their peers. July will feature the lectures from Richard Curtis (*Blackadder*, *Vicar of Dibley*), Julian Fellowes (*Downton Abbey*, *Belgravia*) and Abi Morgan (*The Hour*), all of whom have written dramas available to stream in full on BritBox.

Made in Chelsea (S7-S11)

Made in Chelsea series 1-6 joined BritBox in June, and a further 4 series are available from early July.

Call the Midwife (S1-S8 and Christmas specials)

Inspired by the memoirs of Jennifer Worth, *Call the Midwife* follows the nurses, midwives and nuns from Nonnatus House, who visit the expectant mothers of Poplar, providing the poorest women with the best possible care. *Call the Midwife* was created and written by Heidi Thomas and stars Jenny Agutter, Judy Parfitt, Stephen McGann, Helen George and Laura Main among the ensemble cast.

9th July

Love/Hate (S1-5)

An iconic crime series which delves deep into the heart of darkness that is Dublin's gangland underworld. Starring Aidan Gillen, Tom Vaughan-Lawlor, Robert Sheehan and Ruth Negga.

Birdsong

Eddie Redmayne and Clémence Poésy star as passionate lovers Stephen and Isabelle brought together by love and torn apart by the First World War, in this

adaptation of Sebastian Faulks' epic love story.

16th July

Murder on the Home Front

A 90-minute murder mystery loosely based on the memoirs of Molly Lefebure who was secretary to the Home Office Pathologist and pioneer of modern forensics, Keith Simpson during World War II. Set during the London Blitz of 1940, the show sheds a different light on the everyday horrors of living in a city where death can visit at any moment. Starring Patrick Kennedy, Tamzin Merchant and Emerald Fennell.

Any Human Heart

William Boyd's best-selling novel has been adapted as a stunning mini-drama series with an all-star cast. Starring Jim Broadbent, Matthew Macfadyen and Sam Claflin as Logan at different ages, it is a compelling portrait of one person's journey through history and the 20th Century.

23rd July

Mr. Selfridge (S1-4)

In 1909 London, an American retail tycoon arrives at the unfashionable end of Oxford Street to jettison fusty British tradition and open one of the finest department stores the world has ever seen. Three-time Emmy® winner Jeremy Piven stars as Harry Gordon Selfridge, the flamboyant—and troubled—entrepreneur and showman seeking to provide London's shoppers with the ultimate merchandise and the ultimate thrill. With Amanda Abbington and Katherine Kelly.

Burton & Taylor

Helena Bonham Carter and Dominic West star as Hollywood's most famously volatile couple. *Burton & Taylor* follows their private and public relationship played out against their ill-fated appearance in a revival of Noel Coward's *Private Lives*.

Gordon, Gino & Fred S2 - exclusive to BritBox

This time Gordon Ramsay, Gino D'Acampo and Fred Sirieix are off on an American adventure. After the fun-filled success of their European tour, Gordon is keen to show Gino and Fred the culinary delights of his adopted home from home. For

Gordon, the United States is at the forefront of cooking and produce; for him, it is the diversity of people and cultures that creates this unique melting pot. Gino and Fred remain to be convinced.

30th July

The Trouble with Maggie Cole - exclusive to BritBox

Created and written by Mark Brotherhood and starring Dawn French, new comedy-drama *The Trouble With Maggie Cole* (previously known as *Glass Houses*) delves into what happens when idle gossip escalates out of control and starts to affect people's lives. Set in a picturesque fishing village, the series centres on Maggie Cole, the self-appointed oracle of this close-knit community. Maggie makes it her business to know a little bit about everyone's lives. She certainly doesn't pay attention to the cautionary adage that 'those in glass houses shouldn't throw stones'.

Louis Theroux Documentaries

Over 40 episodes of Louis Theroux's most captivating episodes including his *Dark States* series, *Extreme Love* series, *When Louis Met* series and *Weird Weekends Series 1-3*.

About BritBox

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