## Katherine Ryan announced as the host of ITV2's new dating game show Ready to Mingle

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ITV2 today announced that comedian Katherine Ryan will host brand-new dating game show 'Ready to Mingle' - a 19 x 60" series made by Potato, part of ITV Studios.

Arriving on the channel this autumn, Katherine will preside over the series which follows a single girl in the search for her perfect partner, as twelve male suitors compete for her affections and the chance to win a big money prize.

But in a mischievous twist, not all the boys are single, with a number of them being guided by their partners in pursuit of the prize. Taking up residence in a luxurious house, the single girl will get to know all the boys through activities, games and dates, eliminating each boy one-by-one until her 'dream man' remains.

Which boy will be left standing? Can she suss out who is the real deal? They may not all be single, but they're all *Ready to Mingle*.

Katherine Ryan said: "I am so excited to be a part of this new dating game show. How could I say no? It's like nothing we've seen before but still with all the drama and dating dilemmas we love to see, and I'll be there front row as it all unfolds!"

Paul Mortimer, Head of Digital Channels at ITV said: "We're excited to announce the latest ITV2 entertainment format aimed at younger audiences- Ready to Mingle, and I'm so pleased that the amazing Katherine Ryan will be presiding over the game. Katherine's unique sense of humour coupled with all the drama of this new dating show ought to make for a binge-ably entertaining watch."

Michael Kelpie, Managing Director at Potato said: "You're single. You're on a date. You're having a great time. Your date is ticking all your boxes. This could be the one, but... is he single? Ready to Mingle is a cheeky, playful dating game show and with a big money prize up for grabs, anything can happen. Katherine's undeniable comedic charm and quick-wit make her the perfect host for this new format and we're thrilled she is involved."

Ready to Mingle has been commissioned by ITV's Paul Mortimer, Head of Digital Channels and Acquisitions and Amanda Stavri, Commissioning Editor, Factual Entertainment for ITV. Ready to Mingle is produced by Potato, part of ITV Studios. Executive Producers are Michael Kelpie, Phil Mount and Laura Woolf.

Ready to Mingle will air on ITV2 and ITV Hub this autumn. ITV Studios will handle international distribution.

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