




# Weekly Highlights

Week 38/39 - Saturday 23rd - Friday 29th September 2023

A woman with short, curly blonde hair, wearing a sleeveless gold and pink patterned dress, is shown from the chest up. She is holding a clear glass with ice and a drink, looking over her shoulder towards the camera with a serious expression. The background is a dimly lit bar or restaurant.

**The Long Shadow**  
**Monday, 9pm**





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**Rugby World Cup 2023 Live:  
Georgia v Portugal  
Saturday, 12.25pm  
23rd September  
ITV1**

**Hugh Wozencroft presents coverage of the 2023 Rugby World Cup Pool C match between Georgia and Portugal in Toulouse as Georgia hope to get some points.**

Georgia have had to wait two weeks since their opening weekend defeat to Australia and will be looking to better their fourth-place pool finish in the last World Cup - studio match analysis comes from John Barclay, Maggie Alphonsi and Philippa Tuttiett.



**Rugby World Cup 2023 Live:  
England v Chile  
Saturday, 3.55pm  
23rd September  
ITV1**

**Mark Pougatch is joined in the studio by Sir Clive Woodward, Jonny Wilkinson, and Lawrence Dallaglio as England follow up their win over Argentina by facing Chile.**

After a thrilling backs-to-the-wall victory in their opening game, England face more South American opposition in a chance for Steve Borthwick to rotate his squad, but skipper Owen Farrell will be itching for game time after missing the first two matches.



**Rugby World Cup 2023 Live:  
South Africa v Ireland  
Saturday, 7.15pm  
23rd September  
ITV1**

**Mark Pougatch presents 2023 Rugby World Cup coverage as Six Nations Grand Slam winners Ireland take on defending world champions South Africa in Paris.**

It's the first meeting between these two sides at the tournament, and Andy Farrell's squad will be eager for a positive result before their final group game against Scotland in Pool B - studio analysis comes from Brian O'Driscoll, Rory Best, and Sam Warburton.



**Bali 2002  
Saturday, 10.40pm  
23rd September  
ITV1**

**Based on the events of 2002 terrorist attacks on Bali's tourist hotspots, this drama explores how everyday heroes brought order from chaos and hope from despair.**

The Australian and Indonesian investigators work together to track down the perpetrators of the Bali bombings and bring them to justice - meanwhile, the injured survivors and their loved ones are trying to piece their shattered lives back together.



**Rugby World Cup 2023 Live:  
Scotland v Tonga  
Sunday, 4pm  
24th September  
ITV1**

**David Flatman presents coverage of the 2023 Rugby World Cup as Scotland take on Tonga at the Stade de Nice and Gregor Townsend's side look to register a win.**

Gregor Townsend's side will be eager to register their first win of the pool stages after losing their opening game 18-3 against defending world champions South Africa - studio match analysis comes from Sir Ian McGeechan, John Barclay, and Greig Laidlaw.



**Rugby World Cup 2023 Live:  
Wales v Australia  
Sunday, 7.15pm  
24th September  
ITV1**

**Mark Pougatch is joined by Sam Warburton, Gareth Thomas, and George Gregan as Wales face Australia and Warren Gatland and Eddie Jones lock horns again.**

After a tough year for Welsh rugby, Gatland's return to the fold in his fifth World Cup campaign looks to have steadied the ship - meanwhile, an opening win against Georgia seemingly ended Jones's inauspicious start to his second coming as Australian coach.



**The Long Shadow**  
**Monday, 9pm**  
**25th September**  
**ITV1**

**A true crime drama series depicting one of the most notorious serial killer cases ever - the hunt for Peter Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire Ripper, between 1975 and 1981.**

Police undertook the biggest manhunt in British criminal history as the search for Sutcliffe lasted five years - the drama follows the desperate, cat and mouse hunt for Sutcliffe and focuses upon both the police investigation and the lives of his victims.



**The Real Crown:**  
**Inside the House of Windsor**  
**Tuesday, 9pm**  
**26th September**  
**ITV1**

**With Queen Elizabeth II's reign having come to a sad end, this series captures the powerful real-life human drama of the greatest remaining dynasty in Europe.**

In the first part of this documentary series, Prince Charles is about to be crowned Prince of Wales in the first step in his journey to becoming King - however, it's a path marked by danger as 1970s Britain is in crisis and Welsh nationalists are up in arms.





**On Assignment**  
**Tuesday, 10.45pm**  
**26th September**  
**ITV1**

**Rageh Omaar presents the series that sees ITV News journalists contribute in-depth reports from around the world on the stories that are behind the headlines.**

Amanda Walker witnesses doctors working on a new treatment for America's fentanyl addicts, Rohit Kachroo meets the Russians fleeing a war at home in Turkey, and Julie Etchingham is in Berlin to travel back in time in the archives of the Stasi secret police.



**Grand Slammers**  
**Wednesday & Thursday, 9pm**  
**27th & 28th September**  
**ITV1**

**This two-part documentary follows nine members of England's 2003 Rugby World Cup-winning team as they reunite to train a squad of prisoners for a big rematch.**

Martin Johnson, Jonny Wilkinson, Lawrence Dallaglio, Phil Vickery, Jason Robinson, Will Greenwood, Ben Cohen, Mike Tindall and Matt Dawson all tasted glory at the pinnacle of the game, but entering HMP The Mount could be one challenge too far.



**Paul O'Grady's  
For the Love of Dogs  
Thursday, 8.30pm  
28th September  
ITV1**

**The late and much-missed Paul O'Grady follows the ups and downs of life at Battersea Dogs and Cats Home as they care for our four-legged friends in need.**

In his final-ever episode on the show, Paul goes rogue when asked to help bottle-feed a pair of week-old kittens found on a building site, and he and Battersea Head Vet Shaun also visit one of the few homeless shelters in the country that accepts dogs.



**Rugby World Cup 2023 Live:  
New Zealand v Italy  
Friday, 7.30pm  
29th September  
ITV1**

**Mark Pougatch is joined by Jonny Wilkinson, Sean Fitzpatrick, and Sergio Parisse as New Zealand look to rally from their opening night defeat when they face Italy.**

New Zealand may still be hurting from their defeat to France - their first-ever loss in the pool stages in their distinguished tournament history - but while a defeat by Italy would be unthinkable, the Azzurri do possess the right players for the challenge ahead.



# itv2

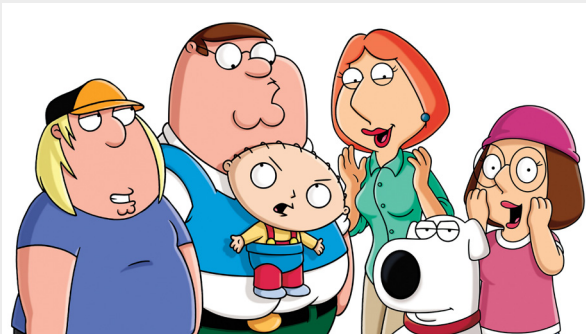
## Weekly highlights

# itv2

**The Murder of...**  
**Social Media Murders**  
**Monday-Thursday, 9pm**  
**25th-28th September**  
**ITV2**

**True-crime series exploring cases that resulted in murder. Linking each of the films is the role social media played in bringing together the culprit and the victim.**

Across the week we have the documentaries *The Murder of Ashley Wadsworth*, *The Murder of Alice Ruggles*, *The Murder of Bianca Devins* and *The Murder of Mikey Rainsford* - all of which tell tragic tales of young people who lost their lives.



**Family Guy**  
**Monday, 10pm**  
**American Dad!**  
**Monday, 10.30pm**  
**25th September**  
**ITV2**

**Brace yourselves as the Griffin and Smith families return to wreak another round of havoc in brand-new episodes of two of America's most anarchic animations.**

First up, Stewie finds himself in public disgrace after a pop star unleashes her fan base on him, and Peter gets lap band surgery with an unusual side-effect. Then, Roger is forced to confront himself after a series of car accidents, and Klaus and Jeff bond.



# itvBe Weekly highlights



**Ferne McCann: My Family & Me**  
**Wednesday, 9pm**  
**27th September**  
**ITVBe**

**Ferne is back, and she is stronger than ever with a new family home and a baby on the way - however, saging the house soon turns out to be a bad idea....**

Everything seems to be going Ferne's way, until the saging seems to have the opposite effect, as she goes head to head with Lorri over her birth vision, and things get awkward on stage as the couple launch their new business in true celebrity style.



**My Mum, Your Dad Australia**  
**Monday & Tuesday, 10pm**  
**25th & 26th September**  
**ITVBe**

**A group of single parents move into a house together as their college-aged kids pull strings from behind the scenes and get their parents a second chance at love.**

Kate Langbroek hosts as the Australian version of the global smash-hit dating show begins. A group of single parents move into a house together, but their kids are the ones dictating what happens as they watch on. Can they find their parents love?.



**Van Der Valk**  
**Monday, 10.10pm**  
**Tuesday, 10.30pm**  
**Wednesday, 10pm**  
**25th-27th September**  
**ITV3**

**Marc Warren stars in the thrilling crime drama about a Dutch detective who takes on cases in Amsterdam using his insightful human observation and street smarts.**

Another chance to see series three of the drama. Across three episodes, Van Der Valk's team are on the case when a young freerunner is murdered, investigate the murder of an arrogant museum expert, and look into the fatal stabbing of a psychiatrist.



**Endeavour**  
**Monday, 3.55pm**  
**Tuesday & Thursday, 3.45pm**  
**25th, 26th & 28th September**  
**ITV3**

**Crime drama set in Oxford in the 1960s, following the adventures of a young Endeavour Morse in a prequel to the popular Inspector Morse mysteries.**

A murder at an Army base threatens long-held secrets amongst a regiment, a death at an international sporting event leads Endeavour to investigate more than crime, and the disappearance of a teacher at a public school tests Endeavour's investigative skills.





**Snooker: British Open 2023**  
**Monday & Friday,**  
**12.45pm & 6.45pm**  
**Tuesday & Thursday, 12.45pm**  
**Wednesday, 7pm**  
**25th-29th September**  
**ITV4**

**Rishi Persad presents coverage of the 2023 British Open from the Centaur in Cheltenham as players compete for the title that Ryan Day won back in 2022.**

This is the only tournament on the World Snooker Tour to feature an open draw, so expect surprises along the way. Analysis comes from Stephen Hendry, Alan McManus, Ken Doherty and Neal Foulds, with commentary from David Hendon and Phil Yates.



**UEFA Women's Nations League**  
**Live: Netherlands v England**  
**Tuesday, 6.15pm**  
**26th September**  
**ITV4**

**Laura Woods presents coverage as Sarina Wiegman's Lionesses face the Netherlands in their second match of the 2023-24 UEFA Women's Nations League.**

The Lionesses are in Utrecht for this match against manager Saraina Wiegman goes up against her former employers. Ian Wright, Karen Carney and Eni Aluko are in the studio, while Seb Hutchinson and Lucy Ward talk us through the action in commentary.