



Weekly Highlights

Week 15/16 - Saturday 13th - Friday 19th April 2024



**For the Love of Dogs
with Alison Hammond
Tuesday, 8pm**



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Katie Piper's Breakfast Show
Saturday & Sunday, 8.25am
13th & 14th April
ITV1

Katie Piper is ready to kickstart weekends in style and give us everything we need to ensure that they are filled with nothing but pure entertainment and inspiration.

She's joined by comedy legend Jo Brand, TV's Anita Rani, entertainment guru Elle Osili-Wood and aerial dancer Molly Whitehouse to kick off a new series of the show, and that's followed on Sunday by some medical myth-busting with expert Dr Idz Mughal.



ITV Racing:
Grand National Festival
Saturday, 12.55pm
ITV Racing: Grand National Live
Saturday, 3.15pm
13th April
ITV1

Ed Chamberlin presents coverage of all the build-up to the 2024 Randox Grand National at Aintree before 34 runners line up to see who will be this year's champion.

The runners include 2023 winner Corach Rambler, who looks to be the third horse after Tiger Roll and Red Rum to win back-to-back renewals - the build-up to the race begins with The Morning Show at 9.30am before the first four races on the card from 12.55pm.



**Ant & Dec's
Saturday Night Takeaway**
Saturday, 7pm
13th April
ITV1

Ant & Dec present the popular entertainment show where one member of the studio audience can win all of the products advertised during an ad break in the last week.

It's a star-studded finale for the 20th series as Ant and Dec take over the whole of Television Centre in an epic special featuring Girls Aloud in the studio as the Star Guest Announcers and a chance to Win the Ads and the biggest prize pot in the show's history.



The 1% Club
Saturday, 9pm
13th April
ITV1

Lee Mack hosts the quiz show where 100 contestants aim to win up to 100,000 pounds by answering a question that only one per cent of the country can get right.

It doesn't matter if the contestants aren't usually good at quizzes because the questions have nothing to do with remembering facts and are all about logic and common sense - this is the quiz the whole family can play as we find out which contestants will succeed.



The Jonathan Ross Show
Saturday, 10.05pm
13th April
ITV1

Jonathan Ross employs infectious wit and a sense of fun as he chats to some terrific celebrity guests and asks questions that everyone wants to know the answers to.

Jonathan this time has an exclusive chat with Little Mix singer Perrie Edwards ahead of her solo music debut, and he is also joined by comedian Frank Skinner, Emmy Award-winning actress Hannah Waddingham, and the multi-platinum-selling band Kasabian.



Champions Cup Rugby:
Quarter-Finals
Sunday, 2.30pm
14th April
ITV1

Hugh Woocroft presents coverage of the 2024 Investec Champions Cup as the exciting tournament reaches the thrilling quarter-final stage of the competition.

Six English clubs - Harlequins, the Exeter Chiefs, Bath, Saracens, the Leicester Tigers and the Northampton Saints - will all hope to get to this stage. Studio analysis comes from Jamie Roberts and Topsy Ojo, and commentary is supplied by Miles Harrison.



Midsomer Murders
Sunday, 8pm
14th April
ITV1

The return of the popular detective series - based on novels by Caroline Graham - that sees Inspector Barnaby investigate murder mysteries in Middle England.

When a survivalist is found dead in the village of Blacktrees-on-Marsh - a place that would have been attacked by Russia in the event of nuclear war - Barnaby unravels a dark conspiracy that reveals just how far people will go to escape the end of the world.



The Olivier Awards
Sunday, 10.10pm
14th April
ITV1

West End superstar Hannah Waddingham hosts the awards ceremony at the Royal Albert Hall as the biggest night in British theatre distributes its 26 coveted prizes.

The 2024 highlights from the biggest night in British theatre include a spectacular performance from Guys and Dolls, a star-studded performance celebrating the National Theatre's 60th anniversary, and nominees including James Norton and Marisha Wallace.



**Martin Clunes:
Islands of the Pacific
Monday, 9pm
15th April
ITV1**

Inspired by reading a book about the Kon-Tiki expedition, Martin Clunes embarks on an epic ocean-wide adventure in search of the Pacific in this documentary series.

Martin resumes his voyage by journeying west across the Pacific to the Trobriand Islands that are part of Papua New Guinea - following a game of cricket, he then visits the very different island of East New Britain and a community that is at risk from climate change.



**For the Love of Dogs
with Alison Hammond
Tuesday, 8pm
16th April
ITV1**

Alison Hammond carries on the legacy left by the much-loved Paul O'Grady as she heads to Battersea Dogs and Cats Home to help the animals there get new homes.

In the first episode of this new series, Alison bottle-feeds a three-week-old puppy that was found abandoned in a bin, meets a toy-obsessed terrier in training to be a sniffer dog, and falls head over heels for Nelly, a gorgeous spaniel with a rare eye condition.



Changing Ends
Tuesday, 8.30pm
16th April
ITV1

An autobiographical comedy series based on Alan Carr's life in Northampton in the 1980s growing up as son to a Fourth Division football manager in Thatcher's Britain.

In a love letter to a time and a town where things weren't always so inclusive, we follow Alan's journey through puberty, adolescence and self-discovery in a tale about figuring out who you are when your family are Match of the Day and you're more Miss Marple...



It's Showtime
Tuesday, 9pm
16th April
ITV1

A documentary about a group of working-class men from the northeast of England who get drunk one night and buy a racehorse in a decision that changes their lives.

In May 2022, Showtime Mahomes ran the race of his life as he defeated a field of high pedigree favourites to win at York, the Ascot of the North - this film follows Showtime's owners and their horse's nail-biting bid to return to York to recapture its former glory.



Professor T
Wednesday, 9pm
17th April
ITV1

Cerebral crime drama series following Professor Jasper Tempest, a genius Cambridge University criminologist with OCD who advises the police on their cases.

Now out of prison, the professor is desperate to get back to his work at the university and with the police - as luck would have it, detectives need Jasper's help to investigate a series of unexplained deaths before more people die. Can Professor T solve this case?



The Twelve
Thursday & Friday, 9pm
18th & 19th April
ITV1

This drama series explores the lives and loves of twelve ordinary citizens - all from diverse backgrounds - who have been summoned to a court for a murder trial.

In the first episode of this week's double-bill, Claire's father Nathan Spears takes the stand and paints Kate as a sexual predator - in the second episode, the jurors are taken to Kate's house to observe a demonstration of the Crown's theory that ends very badly.



**TikTok: Murder Gone Viral -
The Killing of Sania Khan**
Monday, 9pm
15th April
ITV2

A series of films that explore murders that went viral on TikTok - the world's fastest-growing social media app - with never-before-seen footage and interviews.

After surviving an attempt on her life, TikTok star Sania Khan went viral campaigning for South Asian women's rights - while her honesty and self-reliance sent shockwaves through America's South Asian community, she did not realise the danger this caused...



Hell's Kitchen
Tuesday & Wednesday, 9pm
16th & 17th April
ITV2

Gordon Ramsay's culinary boot camp sees the terrifying world-renowned head chef slice and dice a group of wannabe cordon bleu cooks and aspiring restaurateurs.

In the first of this week's episodes, the contestants serve a brunch to new US citizens where disaster strikes when raw chicken and cold steak are served - in the second, the chefs are put to the test as they cook one of eight elevated takes on US comfort food.

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The Only Way Is Essex
Sunday, 9pm
14th April
ITVBe

Part-soap opera and part-reality show, this programme follows the lives, loves and scandals of a group of real-life Essex guys and girls against a backdrop of glamour.

With the gang heading back to Essex, Dan doesn't want the party to end and so he sets up a group chat inviting his new gang on a big night out to keep the Bali flame alight - elsewhere, Amber returns to Essex and heads straight to the doctors with concerns.



The Real Housewives of Cheshire
Monday, 9pm
15th April
ITVBe

This reality series steps inside the champagne-fuelled lives of a group of women residing in the Golden Triangle of Cheshire. one of the UK's most affluent areas.

After their dramatic showdown at the psychic night, Lystra is left hurting and Rachel is completely confused - with the housewives mixed about the row, Nicole and Seema plan to restore harmony by hosting separate girls' nights... but will their efforts be in vain?

**Shetland****Friday, 9pm & 10.20pm****19th April****ITV3**

Set against the stunning background of the Shetland Isles, this murder mystery series centres on a native Shetlander who has returned home after a long time away.

DI Jimmy Perez returns to his childhood home after the murder of a scientist on the beautiful island of Fair Isle, but tensions run high as a storm on the mainland forces him to work in isolation and compels all of the suspects to remain together under one roof.

**Vera****Monday & Thursday, 8pm****15th & 18th April****ITV3**

Crime drama series following DCI Vera Stanhope, who is obsessive about her work and tackles each case with gusto and professionalism alongside her colleagues.

The very first episode of the programme sees Vera investigate the murders of two young people killed in the same way - drowned and surrounded by flowers - and that's followed by a testing investigation into the murder of a trainee forensic psychologist.



**ITV Racing: Live from Newmarket
Wednesday & Thursday, 1.30pm
17th & 18th April
ITV4**

Ed Chamberlin and Francesca Cumani present coverage from Newmarket and Cheltenham that includes key trials for the 1,000 Guineas and the 2,000 Guineas.

The Nell Gwyn Stakes on the Flat at Newmarket is the feature race on Wednesday and will hopefully see a key contender for the 1,000 Guineas emerge, and the second day's main event is the Craven Stakes that could well do the same for the 2,000 Guineas.



**Auf Wiedersehen, Pet
Thursday & Friday, 9pm
18th & 19th April
ITV4**

Comedy-drama series about a group of bricklayers from Newcastle who set off to find their fortunes in Germany in the belief that life will be more rewarding there.

The first episode of this week's classic double-bill sees Oz's wife Marjorie get desperate for money and send him a letter he isn't keen on accepting - in the second, everyone is a suspect when things start to go missing from the hut, but who is the thief in their midst?