

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2024**SAT 19:00 Snooker: UK Championship (m0025gcv)**
2024

Day 1, Evening

Live coverage from day one of the 2024 UK Snooker Championship.

SAT 21:00 State of Happiness (m002473n)
Series 3

Safari

Stavanger, Norway, 1987. Seven years have passed since the tragic Alexander Kiehlund accident, and Norway's oil industry is booming. People are being replaced by machines, the supplier industry is thriving, and start-ups are emerging. Some are making a lot of money, while others are facing great losses.

In Norwegian with English subtitles

SAT 21:45 State of Happiness (m002473q)
Series 3

Full House

Things are hectic at Komponent as they try to land an important deal with Statoil. In the chamber, the test dive is interrupted when serious complications arise. Christian attends his first board meeting at the shipping company, but his thoughts are elsewhere. Marie has stopped coming to chapel, and Randi despairs. Marius brings his new girlfriend, Solveig, home for the first time. Toril has too much fun at work.

In Norwegian with English subtitles

SAT 22:35 Parkinson (m0025gcx)
Peter Cook, Dudley Moore and John Conte

Michael Parkinson in conversation with Peter Cook, Dudley Moore and John Conte.

SAT 23:40 Talking Comedy (b05qt7vl)
Pete and Dud

A look back through the archives at appearances by masters of satire Peter Cook and Dudley Moore on some of the BBC's best-loved talk shows.

SAT 00:10 Porridge (b00787cr)
Series 3

Poetic Justice

Classic comedy series. Fletcher is incensed when his peace and quiet is disrupted by the arrival of a third cellmate. To add insult to injury, the screws are being extra polite to the newcomer and giving him all the cushy jobs. Fletcher is determined to discover the reason why.

SAT 00:40 As Time Goes By (p045tlvl)
Series 1

The Copper Kettle

Lionel and Jean spend the day walking around an old town they used to visit when they were young. They find that even though things have changed, their treasured memories remain.

SAT 01:10 Walking With... (m00111q6)
Series 1

Walking with Kate Garraway

Broadcaster Kate Garraway goes for an invigorating walk along the edge of the Cotswolds Hills. As she passes through the patch where she first cut her teeth as a reporter, she takes time to appreciate the stunning landscapes.

From the panoramic viewpoint of Painswick Beacon, Kate descends through beech woods to the village of Upton St Leonards, soaking up the sounds of nature as she goes. From there she climbs Cooper's Hill and wanders down to the church at Great Witcombe. Kate relishes the chance to have nothing to do but take in the 'joy and rhythm of the countryside' as she crosses the gentle, rolling hills with just a 360-degree camera for company.

Along the way, she meets local craftspeople who are inspired by

the 'living theatre' of the landscapes. Kate finds her natural surroundings a source of inspiration and resilience as she reflects on a year of challenges and change.

SAT 01:40 Jazz 625 (m000pjds)
The British Jazz Explosion

The biggest names in the current, buzzing UK jazz scene play live in a special edition of this iconic BBC jazz TV show. Sons of Kemet, Nubya Garcia, Kokoroko, Poppy Ajudha, Matthew Halsall, Moses Boyd and Exodus and Ezra Collective all contribute to an incredible line-up. The show, hosted by drummer Moses Boyd and 1Xtra presenter Janz Supernova, also includes short films exploring the roots of the current UK jazz scene.

Jazz 625 originally ran on BBC TV in the mid-1960s and featured some of the greatest legends of that era. Stars like Thelonious Monk, Duke Ellington, Cleo Laine and Art Blakey helped create TV shows that today are regarded as jazz gold. The show returned for a special edition in 2019 with an all-star cast playing classic jazz from the 60s.

But jazz is very much a music of the now and never has that been more apparent than over the last few years when a new generation of UK jazz players have taken the global music stage by storm. Bands like Sons of Kemet and Ezra Collective have won over music lovers of all kinds the world over. This is music that returns to the roots of jazz - making people dance and sing as well as listen and think.

In this special one-off edition of Jazz 625, the very biggest stars of the current UK jazz explosion bring their joyous music to the Jazz 625 studio. Along the way, they also share stories of the special places and communities that helped their music develop. The film explores the importance of passing on jazz's musical traditions from generation to generation and takes a deeper look at the spiritual music of the Manchester jazz scene. And there is room for some classic archive from the Jazz 625 vaults.

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2024**SUN 19:00 Snooker: UK Championship (m0025gbt)**
2024

Day 2, Evening

Live coverage from day two of the 2024 UK Snooker Championship.

SUN 21:00 BBC Young Musician (m0025gbw)
2024

BBC Young Jazz Musician 2024

Celebrating the competition's tenth anniversary, four talented young performers compete for the title BBC Young Jazz Musician 2024.

Presented by Yolanda Brown and Huw Stevens from the Southbank Centre's Queen Elizabeth Hall, the competition is firmly established as part of the EFG London Jazz Festival and promises once again to showcase the British jazz stars of the future.

Hoping to take the coveted title are saxophonist George Johnson (19), bassist Ursula Harrison (22), pianist Nils Kavanagh (22) and trumpeter Klara Devlin (18).

They each perform a set in front of a live audience and a formidable judging panel, consisting of pianist, bandleader and educator Nikki Yeoh; saxophonist, producer and MC Soweto Kinch; award-winning trumpeter Laura Jurd; bassist, composer and band leader Jasper Hoiby; and vocalist and composer Zara McFarlane.

The finalists are backed by three of the UK's leading jazz musicians, Zoe Rahman on piano, Alec Dankworth on bass and drummer Sophie Alloway.

SUN 23:00 La bohème from the Royal Opera House (m0012tyr)

Puccini's operatic masterpiece, La Bohème, performed at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden.

Ever since its premiere in Turin in 1896, La bohème has been a huge hit with audiences across the world. Within two years, it had been seen in Buenos Aires, Los Angeles, Prague, Berlin, Manchester and beyond. With over 500 performances chalked up at Covent Garden alone, this opera is one of the most popular and enduring in the repertoire.

In this performance from 2020, Sonya Yoncheva stars as the doomed seamstress Mimì, with Charles Castronovo as Rodolfo,

who falls in love with her at first sight. Simona Mihai and Andrzej Filonczyk perform the roles of the on-off lovers, Musetta and Marcello.

Richard Jones's period production brings to life the garret flats and shopping arcades of 19th-century Paris, with designs by Stewart Laing, pitting the rags of the bohemians against the riches of the swanky shopping arcades and restaurants of the French capital.

Poverty and passion collide in a story of friendship and fellowship, love and loss. Featuring some of Puccini's best-loved music, this performance is conducted by Emmanuel Villaume.

SUN 01:00 BBC Proms (m0019tmd)
2022

Sir Mark Elder and the Hallé Play Puccini

Magic and mischief at the Proms as Sir Mark Elder and the Hallé Orchestra bring Dukas's much-loved The Sorcerer's Apprentice, to kick-start an evening of highly visual music.

Drama is the main event, with Puccini's opera Il Tabarro, a tale of lust, adultery and murder set on the Seine in Paris.

Amidst the mayhem, Respighi's stunning aural portrait Fountains of Rome provides a moment of calm.

Join presenter Petroc Trelawny and special guests for this feast for the senses.

SUN 02:55 Meet the Romans with Mary Beard (b01gxqgg)
Streetlife

We still live in the shadow of ancient Rome - a city at the heart of a vast empire that stretched from Scotland to Afghanistan, dominating the West for over 700 years. Professor Mary Beard puts aside the stories of emperors and armies, guts and gore, to meet the real Romans living at the heart of it all.

In this programme, Mary descends into the city streets to discover the dirt, crime, sex and squalor conditions in the world's first high-rise city. This Rome is not the marble Rome we know, but a vast, messy metropolis with little urban planning, where most Romans lived in high-rise apartment blocks with little space, light, or even sanitation. Forced outdoors into the city streets, she reveals where they went to hang out, get drunk, have sex and get clean. She looks at the Forum as a place of gamblers, dentists and thieves, and she explores the lustiness of Roman bar life and jokes.

Finally, exploring law and order from the bottom up, Mary examines how this city really worked. She meets Ancarenus Nothus, an apartment dweller who lived in fear of the rent collector; 'Notorious' Primus, who wrote about his three great pleasures in life - 'baths, wine and sex'; and 'Unlucky' Doris, a seven-year-old girl killed in one of Rome's many fires.

MONDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2024**MON 19:00 Snooker: UK Championship (m0025gcf)**
2024

Day 3, Evening

Live coverage from day three of the 2024 UK Snooker Championship.

MON 22:00 Mary Beard's Ultimate Rome: Empire Without Limit (b07bkn8x)
Episode 3

In the third episode Mary takes an in-depth look at the question of identity and citizenship within the Roman Empire. What did it mean to be, or to become, Roman, and how did the very different parts of the empire react to Roman rule?

In the beautifully preserved cities of Algeria, incomers and locals mixed to create flourishing communities with a distinct 'more Roman than Rome' frontier identity. Mary follows the trail of one such African Roman from his native land all the way to Britain, where he served as governor - proof that for all the brutality of conquest, there were opportunities too. Here in Britain another picture emerges, of resistance, hybrid culture and incipient British identity. In York and Newcastle, Mary finds the remains of Romans, but not as we might imagine them - a rich African lady, officers from central Europe and a camp follower from Syria.

MON 23:00 Caligula with Mary Beard (b037w0qh)
Two thousand years ago, one of history's most notorious

individuals was born. Professor Mary Beard embarks on an investigative journey to explore the life and times of Gaius Julius Caesar Augustus Germanicus - better known to us as Caligula.

Caligula has now become known as Rome's most capricious tyrant, and the stories told about him are some of the most extraordinary of any Roman emperor. He was said to have made his horse a consul, proclaimed himself a living God and indulged in scandalous orgies, and that's before you mention building vast bridges across land and sea, prostituting senators' wives and killing half the Roman elite seemingly on a whim. All that in just four short years in power before a violent and speedy assassination in a back alley of his own palace at just 29 years old.

Piecing together the evidence, Mary puts Caligula back into the context of his times to reveal an astonishing story of murder, intrigue and dynastic family power. Above all, she explains why Caligula has ended up with such a seemingly unredeemable reputation. In the process, she reveals a more intriguing portrait of not just the monster, but the man.

MON 00:00 Colosseum (p0fwh30s)

Series 1

The Martyr

The public execution of criminals is a staple in the Colosseum, but during Trajan's games, one of these victims is no common prisoner. Bishop Ignatius of Antioch is part of a growing underground religion threatening Roman traditions - Christianity.

MON 00:45 Colosseum (p0fwh55p)

Series 1

The Scientist

One of the most famous scientists of the ancient world, Galen of Pergamon, makes a name for himself as a doctor for gladiators in the arena. Just as the empire reaches the height of its power, a devastating plague sweeps through the city. Only then does Galen catch the attention of Emperor Marcus Aurelius.

MON 01:35 Meet the Romans with Mary Beard (b01hcn1)
Behind Closed Doors

We still live in the shadow of ancient Rome - a city at the heart of a vast empire that stretched from Scotland to Afghanistan, dominating the West for over 700 years. Professor Mary Beard puts aside the stories of emperors and armies, guts and gore, to meet the real Romans living at the heart of it all.

In this final episode, Mary delves even deeper into ordinary Roman life by going behind the closed doors of their homes. She meets an extraordinary cast of characters - drunken housewives, teenage brides, bullied children and runaway slaves - and paints a more dynamic, lusty picture of Roman family life.

Mary uncovers their preserved beds, furniture and cradles, tries on Roman wedding rings and meets some eccentric wives like Glyconis, praised by her husband for liking a drink or two, and Allia Potestas, who lived in a Roman ménage a trois.

Mary explores Roman parenting, childbirth and children, including Sulpicius Maximus, an 11-year-old schoolboy who was worked to death by his pushy parents, and Gemina Mater, a five-year-old tomboy.

Finally, Mary paints a more nuanced picture of Roman slavery and asks why if it was such a brutal institution did many Romans choose to be buried with their servants - living cheek by jowl in death, as in life.

MON 02:35 Mary Beard's Ultimate Rome: Empire Without Limit (b07bkn8x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:00 today]

TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2024

TUE 19:00 Snooker: UK Championship (m0025gfs)
2024

Day 4, Evening

Live coverage from day four of the 2024 UK Snooker Championship.

TUE 22:00 Storyville (m0025gfv)

Until I Fly

Five-year-old Veeur has to endure relentless bullying and discrimination. Born to an Indian mother and a Nepalese father, in the Indian Himalayan village where he lives, he is taunted for being mixed race. This Storyville documentary follows the little boy over five transformative years as he grapples with the profound effects of racism, never retaliating, finally triumphing when he discovers a talent for a sport that turns his 'enemies' into his teammates.

TUE 23:30 Henry VIII's Enforcer: The Rise and Fall of Thomas Cromwell (b01f03ky)

Thomas Cromwell has gone down in history as one of the most corrupt and manipulative ruffians ever to hold power in England. A chief minister who used his position to smash the Roman Catholic church in England and loot the monasteries for his own gain. A man who used torture to bring about the execution of the woman who had once been his friend and supporter - Anne Boleyn.

Diarmaid MacCulloch, professor of the history of the church at Oxford University, reveals a very different image of Cromwell. The award-winning novels of Hilary Mantel began the revival of Cromwell's reputation, and now Professor MacCulloch presents Henry VIII's chief minister as a principled and pioneering statesman who was driven by radical evangelism.

Cromwell's extraordinary career blossomed after a childhood marked by poverty and violence. The unschooled son of a brewer, he travelled across Europe as a young man and mysteriously taught himself to speak several languages in addition to accounting and knowledge of the law. When Henry VIII failed to persuade the pope to annul his marriage to Catherine of Aragon, Cromwell engineered an incredible solution. Using his political skills, he persuaded Parliament and the people to accept a mythological rewriting of the history of England in which the English monarch was as an emperor whose power superseded that of the pope.

Professor MacCulloch describes Cromwell as an evangelical reformer, determined to break the hierarchy of the Roman Catholic church and introduce the people of England to a new type of Christianity in which each individual makes direct contact with God.

TUE 00:30 How to Get Ahead (b03z08mx)

At Versailles

Stephen Smith explores the flamboyant Baroque court of the Sun King, Louis XIV. Louis created the Palace of Versailles so he could surround himself with aristocrats, artists, interior designers, gardeners, wigmakers, chefs and musicians. Hordes of ambitious courtiers scrambled to get close to the king, but unseemly goings-on in the royal bedchamber reflected the quickest path to power.

TUE 01:30 Walking With... (m00111gr)

Series 1

Walking with Monica Galetti

Celebrity chef Monica Galetti walks through the open landscapes of the North York Moors. Along the way she meets residents and samples local produce. Starting off with a glorious view over the frost-covered valley, Monica drops down into the historic village of Rosedale Abbey.

Following the course of a stream up Rosedale, she climbs towards the heather, passing a fell runner on the way. On top of the moors she experiences the open expanse before her. Getting away from the hustle and bustle of the city gives Monica the chance to reflect and find peace. As her senses tune in to the birdsong around her, she reminisces about her homeland of Samoa and resolves to spend more time out in nature.

Crossing over to Farndale, she walks the quiet lanes and enjoys her escape from the heat of the kitchen, before ending with a well-deserved drink in the hamlet of Church Houses.

TUE 02:00 Storyville (m0025gfv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:00 today]

WEDNESDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2024

WED 19:00 Snooker: UK Championship (m0025gnm)
2024

Day 5, Evening

Live coverage from day five of the 2024 UK Snooker Championship.

WED 22:00 The Mayor of Casterbridge (p032kj6w)

Episode 1

Eighteen years ago, Michael Henchard sold his family while drunk at a fair. Now he is the mayor of Casterbridge, and his wife has returned.

WED 22:55 The Mayor of Casterbridge (p032kj6z)

Episode 2

Eminent, rich, respected and feared, the mayor of Casterbridge is also ashamed of his past. He decides to remarry Susan.

WED 23:50 The Mayor of Casterbridge (p032kj71)

Episode 3

Jealousy poisons Henchard against his manager, Donald Farfrae. The mayor's troubles are only just beginning.

WED 00:40 The Mayor of Casterbridge (p032kj73)

Episode 4

Rejected by her father, Elizabeth-Jane goes to work for Lucetta, who now pursues Farfrae. Meanwhile, Henchard plots the ruin of his former manager.

WED 01:35 Talking Comedy (b05qt7vl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:40 on Saturday]

WED 02:05 How to Get Ahead (b03z08mx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 00:30 on Tuesday]

THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2024

THU 19:00 Canal Boat Diaries (m0011n0w)

Series 4

Lincoln to Nottingham

Autumnal fog and an overheating engine prove to be problems for narrowboater Robbie Cumming as he navigates a Roman waterway and the fast-flowing River Trent. It's a journey of many challenges as he runs aground and breaks down in Nottingham.

THU 19:30 Walking With... (m00111n6)

Series 1

Walking with Jim Moir

Jim Moir goes for a 'power stroll through a strange landscape' as he explores the shingle peninsula of Dungeness in this corner of Kent. The comic, birdwatcher and Kent resident, famous for his comedy persona Vic Reeves, takes his time exploring a quirky section of the coast - an area he has come to know well over the years.

Filming himself with a 360-degree camera, Jim walks along the shingle and sand from Littlestone down to Dungeness. He visits the concrete ruins of the Sound Mirrors and takes a trip on a steam train before arriving at the twin lighthouses of the headland.

On his journey, he meets characters who reveal hidden aspects of his surroundings - a bee collector, a worm hunter and a power station manager all show Jim different perspectives on the area. Sunshine gives way to sea mist as he nears the end of his walk and enjoys fish and chips on the beach.

THU 20:00 This Cultural Life (m0025gnd)

Thelma Schoonmaker

John Wilson talks to three-time Oscar-winning film editor Thelma Schoonmaker, who, for over five decades, has been Martin Scorsese's cutting room collaborator.

Having edited Scorsese's first feature film in 1967, Thelma has worked on every one of his movies since Raging Bull, including Goodfellas, Casino, The Departed, Wolf of Wall Street, right up to his most recent features, The Irishman and Killers of the Flower Moon.

As the widow of legendary British film-maker Michael Powell, Thelma has also played a key role in the restoration of classic Powell and Pressburger films, including The Red Shoes, Black Narcissus and A Matter of Life and Death.

THU 20:30 A Matter of Life and Death (m0002fc4)

Returning to England from a bombing run in May 1945, flyer Peter Carter's plane is damaged, and his parachute ripped to shreds. He has his crew bail out safely, but figures it is curtains for himself. He gets on the radio, and talks to June, a young American woman working for the USAAF, and they are quite moved by each other's voices.

Peter then jumps, preferring this to burning up with his plane. He wakes up in the surf. It was his time to die, but there was a mix-up in heaven. They couldn't find him in all that fog. By the time his 'conductor' catches up with him 20 hours later, Peter and June have met and fallen in love. This changes everything, and since it happened through no fault of his own, Peter figures that heaven owes him a second chance. Heaven agrees to a trial to decide his fate.

THU 22:10 The Red Shoes (b0074t6v)

Eager young ballerina Victoria Page is delighted at being given the opportunity to dance with the renowned Ballet Lermontov, little realising the demands of its brilliant yet arrogant impresario will force a tragic choice between her career and her lover.

THU 00:20 Parkinson (m0025gng)

Sir Robert Helpmann, Claire Bloom and Eartha Kitt

Michael Parkinson is joined by guests Sir Robert Helpmann, Claire Bloom and Eartha Kitt.

THU 01:30 Canal Boat Diaries (m001ln0w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]

THU 02:00 Walking With... (m0011ln6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:30 today]

THU 02:30 Caligula with Mary Beard (b037w0qh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2024

FRI 19:00 Top of the Pops (m0025gms)

Nicky Campbell presents the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 22 November 1996 and featuring Ant & Dec, Shed Seven, Warren G feat Adina Howard, Bryan Adams, Kula Shaker, Garbage feat Tricky, Jimmy Nail, Fugees and The Prodigy.

FRI 19:30 Top of the Pops (m0025gmv)

Ronan Keating and Stephen Gately present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 29 November 1996 and featuring Belinda Carlisle, Louise, Robert Miles feat Maria Nayler, Skunk Anansie, Fugees, Dunblane, Mark Owen, Sheryl Crow and The Prodigy.

FRI 20:00 Top of the Pops (b03mppy)

1979 - Big Hits

1979 Top of the Pops collection, offering 60 minutes of the year's greatest, cheesiest and oddest performances. 1979 was the year music went portable with the launch of the Sony Walkman and another year Top of the Pops, the BBC's flagship music show, managed to still draw over 15 million viewers every Thursday night.

The mod revival and 2 Tone was in full stomp, featured here with The Jam, The Specials, Madness and The Selecter. If new wave was your bag, there is Elvis Costello, Squeeze and Gary Numan. In 1979, there was little chance of seeing a show on TV featuring Dame Edna's performance of Waltzing Matilda alongside the Ruts with Babylon's Burning, but the British public's eclectic taste predicted the chart and thus saw them together on TOTP in June.

With singles sales at their peak, it was a regular occurrence for groups like Racey and The Nolans to sell over a million copies, and their performances may tell us why, or maybe not! Plus new wave pop from Lene Lovich, disco from Chic and a peek at the nation's favourite, Chas & Dave, singing Gertcha.

FRI 20:20 Top of the Pops (b09dx48t)

Peter Powell and Janice Long present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 29 November 1984. Featuring Nik Kershaw, The Eurythmics, Slade, Tina Turner, Kool & The Gang, Madonna, Alvin Stardust and Jim Diamond.

FRI 21:00 The Making of Do They Know It's Christmas? (m0025gmy)

Forty years on from the release of the hit single by charity

supergroup Band Aid, this documentary unearths 75 minutes of rare and previously unseen film footage from the day of recording.

FRI 22:15 Country Music Awards (m0025gn0) 2024

Highlights from the 58th annual Country Music Awards, hosted by Luke Bryan, Peyton Manning and Lainey Wilson. The CMAs are back to celebrate music over the last year on country music's biggest night.

Morgan Wallen has received the most nominations this year, but he is in good company alongside stars such as Cody Johnson, Chris Stapleton, Post Malone and one of the show's own hosts, Lainey Wilson.

FRI 23:45 In Concert (m0025gn2)

Kenny Rogers

Country music icon Kenny Rogers stars in a television special from 1979, recorded during a visit to England. He is joined by pop-country vocal group Dave & Sugar.

FRI 00:35 Top of the Pops (m0025gms)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]

FRI 01:05 Top of the Pops (m0025gmv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:30 today]

FRI 01:35 Top of the Pops (b03mppy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

FRI 01:55 Top of the Pops (b09dx48t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:20 today]

FRI 02:35 In Concert (m0025gn2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 today]