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# Week 33 Highlights



**Gruen**

Wednesday 10 August at 8.30pm



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**You Can't Ask That**

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**Wallander**

Final Season Begins Sun 07 Aug at 8.30pm



## Gruen

This week **Gruen** continues to find out why we buy what we buy...and why the ads on the side of our internet browser want us to buy more.

Wil, Russel, Todd and a team of new and familiar faces are back to deconstruct our vast advertising landscape which gets more freakishly sophisticated every year we find ourselves around the Gruen desk.



This week expect to see a panel of advertising industry experts tackle the biggest advertising event in the world: The Olympics. Which brands will win marketing gold and who will come dead last? Plus in Gruen's hotly contested race *The Pitch*, two agencies will make the case to sell Tasmania to China.

The extended Gruen XL will also be seen on ABC2 and iview.

#Gruen

### Short synopsis

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### Production details:

CJZ and ABC TV co-production; Executive producers: Nick Murray (CJZ); Wil Anderson; Richard Huddleston (ABC); Series Producer Polly Connolly

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## You Can't Ask That

Short statured people answer the questions Australians wanted to ask but were too embarrassed or afraid to ever ask in person. No matter how naive, cheeky or downright offensive the questions, our guests answer with personal insight and surprising honesty.



"I do bucks and hens parties and stuff, I get thrown, I get slammed, I get whatever," says Blake Johnson, when asked, "Is dwarf throwing ok?" Blake runs an agency specialising in short statured entertainers. "I don't question anyone else's job, you do what you're good at. I am good at entertaining."

Asked how sex works with average-sized people, Imaan Hadchiti shares one of his previous romantic experiences. "She's like, 'I want you to come over, let me change your nappy and let me breastfeed you'" he says, "and that was when I got a bit creeped out. I'm like hang on, there's nothing sexy about being burped -- that's just me."

Kat Ramos, who grew up in the Philippines was misinformed about her condition by doctors until she got to Australia. "They told me that short statured only has a short life expectancy" she says.

Insightful, irreverent, moving and unpredictable, this episode sets the record straight about what it's *really* like to be short-statured.

#ycat

### Short synopsis

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### Production details

An ABC production. Series Produced and Directed by Kirk Docker and Aaron Smith. ABC Executive Producer Lou Porter.

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## Soul Mates II

In Episode 2, Bondi Hipsters, Dom and Adrian are hopeful that their DJing skills will score them hot chicks, but when handsome Brazilians cut their grass, the boys realise something must be done about the genetically blessed babe magnets. The Hipsters enlist the Mayor of Bondi, a right-wing shock jock to force through the 'Brazilian Bylaw' that will stop the illegal Brazilians entering Bondi. Soon every hot Brazilian is being held in the Godforsaken hell-hole that is Manly. However, the Hipsters' plan has some unintended consequences for the love starved brahs of Bondi.



Meanwhile, in the world of Kiwi Assassins, it's Roger's first day at the prestigious St Scotty's School, and unfortunately his mission to become the coolest kid in school comes up against fill-in teacher Thinge's determination to maintain power in the classroom. The school sergeant proves to be Roger's worst nightmare, but remedial teacher Miss Murphy is the most beautiful thing he has ever seen. Will Sarge, Miss Murphy or Principal Whistlesmith hold the key to the secret of St Scotty's suspicious rugby prowess?

In Ancient Egypt, the tentative alliance between Seti and Amram is beginning to show results in Thutmose tomb. However, Hatshepsut is eager to impress upon Seti the importance of controlling slaves by fear and when Seti decides to impose his authority over the issue of puff adders in the snake pit, the outcome is not what Amram, Hatshepsut or even Seti expected.

The Cavemen tribe has discovered that an object can be used as a means of exchange, setting off a trading frenzy. Sticks creates a shell bank and discovers that imaginary marks on a cave wall can take the place of shells, leading to a Wolf of Wall Street spending spree, a bank run, crippling debt and inevitable collapse and shared pain.

#SoulMatesTV

### Short synopsis

The Bondi Hipsters rid Bondi of buff Brazillians, the Kiwi Assasins infiltrate a School to investigate its rugby prowess; Seti tests his relationship with slave Amram; and the Cavemen discover the power of trading

### Production details

A Van Vuuren Bros and Ludo Studios in association with ABC, Seeso, Screen Australia and Screen NSW.

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## Wallander

## *The Final Season*

The award-winning series starring Kenneth Branagh returns for three final thrilling stories, filmed in South Africa, Sweden and Denmark.

Based on the novels by Henning Mankell, these stories follow Kurt Wallander, a flawed but brilliant detective – a man who takes each murder case he works on personally and will stop at nothing in his search for the truth.

In *The White Lioness* Wallander is drawn into the case of a missing Swedish national while attending a police conference in Cape Town. He finds himself on a physical and emotional journey that will lead him from rural Africa to the intense poverty and deprivation of its urban townships. Along the way, the relationships that Wallander forms with Grace Thembu, a policewoman and a single mother, and Mabasha, a young man driven to a life of crime, helps Wallander rekindle his belief in the value of his forty years as a policeman.

#Wallander

### Short synopsis

While attending a conference, Wallander is drawn into a case of a missing Swedish national in Cape Town. It's the start of an emotional journey that helps him rekindle his belief in the value of his forty years as a policeman

### Production details

From the novels by Henning Mankell. Writers: James Dormer and Peter Harness. Director: Benjamin Caron. Executive Producers: Andy Harries, Daniel Gylling, Kenneth Branagh, Anni Faurbye Fernandez, Peter Harness, Rebecca Eaton, Matthew Eaton, Åsa Sjöberg. Producer: Sanne Wohlenberg.

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## Grand Designs New Zealand

Fifth generation builder Steve Sygrove and his wife, Chrissy, have a passion for things pretty, floral and pink. Their unique build in the Titirangi bush near Auckland is a handcrafted American Gothic style house complete with ornate detailing like a Juliette balcony, spandrels, a horseshow window, lacework valences, and interior walls made of fabric.

Steve rallies against the bureaucracy that is stifling the creativity in his craft and expects this grand dame of a building will be his swansong.

#GrandDesignsNZ

### Short synopsis

Chris Moller meets a couple planning to build an American gothic-style house in the Titirangi bush, but are facing a struggle with bureaucracy to make their dream a reality.

### Production details

Presented by Chris Moller. An Imagination Television and Fremantle Media Australia production.

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## Forces Of Nature With Brian Cox

In this episode Professor Brian Cox follows Earth's epic journey through space.

He takes to the air in a top-secret fighter jet to race the spin of the planet and reverse the passage of the day.

In Brazil, a monstrous wave that surges up the Amazon River provides an epic ride of a different kind: chased by a top surfer through the rainforest, this tidal wave marks Earth's constant dance with the Moon.



Greenland experiences some of the biggest swings in seasons in the world, but despite the deep freeze, the harsh winter brings opportunity to the Inuit people who live there.

All this spectacle here on Earth signals that we are thundering through the Universe at breakneck speed. Brian explains why we can't feel it and how understanding motion brings us to understanding the nature of space and time itself, and the astonishing conclusion that the past, present and future all exist, right now.

#ForcesOfNature

### Short synopsis

Professor Brian Cox follows Earth's epic journey through space. He takes to the air in a top-secret fighter jet to race the spin of the planet, and a monstrous wave in Brazil provides a ride of a different kind.

### Production details

Presenter: Professor Brian Cox. Director: Matthew Dyas. Executive Producer: Andrew Cohen. Producer: Matthew Dyas. Series Producer: Danielle Peck. A BBC production with PBX co-produced by France Télévisions

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## The Book Club

***Final***

Margaret Pomeranz returns to ABC TV, joining Jennifer Byrne, Marieke Hardy, Jason Steger and Virginia Gay on *The Book Club*'s season finale.

The show wraps its tenth season with Mexican author Yuri Herrera's *The Transmigration of Bodies*, while Jennifer brings the favourite – Kent Haruf's *Our Souls by Night*.

#TheBookClub

### **Short synopsis**

The Book Club wraps up its tenth series with Mexican author Yuri Herrera's *The Transmigration of Bodies*. Join Jennifer, Marieke, Jason, Virginia Gay and Margaret Pomeranz.

### **Production details**

Series Producer, Marie Davies.

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## Live From The BBC

Filmed in front of a live audience from the BBC's iconic Radio Theatre, this exciting series of stand-up specials presents the comedy stars of the future.

The British stand-up scene is a hotbed of creativity that attracts the most distinctive comic voices from around the world.

In Live from the BBC, some of the world's brightest comic acts join with local UK comedians, in the intimate setting of the BBC Radio Theatre, for searing live stand-up performances. Acts include: Edinburgh Comedy Award-winning New Yorker Alex Edelman; multi-award winning Australian Felicity Ward; four-time Edinburgh Comedy Award-nominee James Acaster; Denmark's Sofie Hagen, winner of Best Newcomer at the Edinburgh Comedy Awards; and critically acclaimed upcoming acts including Dane Baptiste and Nish Kumar.

This is a new breed of stand-up show that gives comics free rein to express their talent. These are comedy's household names of the future, captured at the top of their game in the authentic style of the club circuit.

In this episode, Sofie Hagen, winner of the Foster's Comedy Award for Best Newcomer 2015, stars in this stand-up series showcasing some of the hottest comedians on the circuit. Hagen confides in our audience about one particularly adventurous sexual encounter, as well as delving into the hilarious world of superfans, including a reading of her own fan fiction about one particular Irish boyband. Joining Hagen are characters Kerry & Kurtan, played by siblings Daisy May and Charlie Cooper. They are from a little village in the Cotswolds, and give us an insight into their rather simple life. Kurtan also tries his new stand-up, to Kerry's annoyance.

#LiveFromTheBBC

### Short synopsis

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### Production details

Producer: Lindsay Jex; Executive Producer for BBC: Tilusha Ghelani; Executive Producer: Lucy Ansbro. Live from the BBC is a Phil McIntyre Television production for BBC in association with BBC Worldwide.

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