

HESTON BLUMENTHAL — IN SEARCH OF PERFECTION

FAMED FOR HIS SNAIL PORRIDGE AND BACON-AND-EGG ICE CREAM, CULINARY ALCHEMIST HESTON BLUMENTHAL TURNS HIS ATTENTION TO THE UK'S STAPLE DISHES IN A NEW SERIES FOR BBC TWO.

From sausage and mash to treacle tart and custard, Heston is on a mission to unlock the nation's collective memory of these traditional favourites. Applying his unique expertise and passion for food research, he tries to create the ultimate taste sensation in his continuing search for perfection.

Focusing on one recipe per programme, Heston cooks up the dishes in a purpose-built laboratory-style kitchen. And, in a bid to source the ultimate ingredients, viewers are introduced to foodgrowers and providers from Europe to the US, as well as like-minded passionate researchers, chefs and members of Heston's team.

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EXTRAS

RICKY GERVAIS AND STEPHEN MERCHANT'S AWARD-WINNING COMEDY RETURNS FOR A NEW SERIES AS ANDY MILLMAN (GERVAIS) BEGINS FILMING HIS SITCOM AND MOVES FROM BACKGROUND ARTIST TO TV FACE.

Despite his burgeoning success, Andy is still surrounded by the usual cast of idiots: his hapless best friend Maggie (Ashley Jensen), his incompetent agent Darren Lamb (Stephan Merchant) and Barry "off EastEnders".

This new series includes appearances from Orlando Bloom, David Bowie, Daniel Radcliffe, Chris Martin, Ronnie Corbett and Sir lan McKellen.

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THE CHOIR

THE CHOIR FOLLOWS LONDON SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA CHOIRMASTER GARETH MALONE AS
HE ATTEMPTS TO START A SCHOOL CHOIR FROM
SCRATCH AND, IN ONLY NINE MONTHS, MAKE
THEM CAPABLE OF COMPETING WITH THE VERY
BEST AT THE WORLD CHOIR GAMES IN CHINA.

The Middlesex comprehensive Gareth chooses has no real tradition of music and no formal choir, and the kids have grown up listening to R&B and rap – worlds apart from his own classical upbringing. He battles to instil in them his love of choral music and teach them to sing at international competition standard.

This observational documentary series follows the journey of Gareth and his choir of 30 school kids as they prepare for their trip to China.



