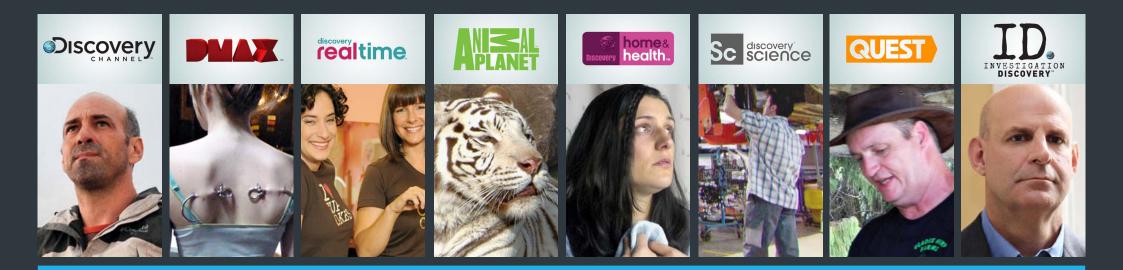
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# February 2012 Highlights





## Last Days Of The Dinosaurs

UK PREMIERE ONE-OFF SUNDAY 12TH FEBRUARY, 9.00PM Dinosaurs ruled the earth for 150 million years. They walked where we walk, drank the same water and breathed the same air. But then they were gone. Their disappearance is one of the planet's greatest mysteries. Until now. Combining the latest science, geology and palaeontology, *Last Days Of The Dinosaurs* illustrates what scientists now believe was the reason for their extinction. Although the famous meteorite is credited with having wiped out the dinosaurs, in fact it was just the final nail in their coffin. Millions of years before it, global climate change transformed their world into a living hell. With ground-breaking animation, this special reconstructs the dinosaur world of the late Cretaceous period, and re-imagines the colossal fireballs, devastating blast-waves, giant earthquakes and mega tsunamis that changed life on the planet forever, ultimately setting the stage for the next species to rule the earth - us.

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### X-Machines

UK PREMIERE SERIES THURSDAY FROM 9TH FEBRUARY, 10.00PM **X-Machines** takes a look at the largest and most technologically advanced machines from around the world. Visually stunning, the series shows how machines work and documents both the ingenuity of the project management teams and the skills of those who operate them. In the first episode, viewers will witness the Road Train, the longest road going vehicle in the world... and the strongest. This heavy hauler is headed into dangerous territory, on a mission to bring electricity to an isolated region of South Africa; Legend, the high tech guardian of America's Seas. This is an incredible first look at the crew who train to protect the USA form drug runners with the cutting edge law enforcement battleship Dreadnaught. There's also the F60 Excavator -The world's largest mining machine which is put into overdrive as Germany goes nuclear free, working round the clock to uncover the brown coal the country needs to keep the countries power on; and the Sea King multi-role helicopter, this tried and tested warhorse has been modified for the 21st century battlefield, and now the crews need to get to grips with it before taking them to Afghanistan. Fast paced and dramatic, this series takes engineering to a fascinating new level.

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### American Guns

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UK PREMIERE SERIES WEDNESDAY FROM 22ND FEBRUARY, 10PM Those at Gunsmoke are the best at what they do, they buy, they sell and they trade rare and historical guns. But what really makes them stand out is that they are one of the last remaining shops that can build a gun from a block of steel. Rich Wyatt, owns the shop and runs it with his family. As a retired cop with over 20 years' experience and a master in firearms instructor, no gun is sold in the shop without being tested by one of the family first.

Renee is Rich's wife, a force to be reckoned with, she is in charge of the accounts. Kurt, their son is a skilled salesman and an incredible engraver, and finally, Paige, their 16 year old daughter, she may look like a Barbie doll but she knows more about guns than most people who walk through the Gunsmoke door. This is a seriously unique family with a fascinating and thriving business.

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### World's Toughest Prisons

UK PREMIERE ONE-OFF TUESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY, 10PM Latin American Prisons are unlike anything in Europe or the United States. The guards man the walls on the outside but inside, the prisoners are in charge. In these jails rape, murder and starvation are facts of life and prisoners accept that there is only a 50 per cent chance of survival. Santa Martha in Mexico and Lurigancho in Peru are two of Latin America's toughest prisons. This one-off documentary, **World's Toughest Prisons**, takes a look at the life on the inside of both.

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### **Real Prison Breaks**

UK PREMIERE SERIES TUESDAYS FROM 14TH FEBRUARY, 10PM

I Escaped: Real Prison Breaks meets the prisoners behind some of America's most elaborate and unimaginable prisons breaks. These include; American felon, Brian Nichols, who is on trial and facing possible life imprisonment for brutally raping his girlfriend. In his mind, his only chance of freedom is to shoot his way out of the courthouse, killing the judge, court reporter and guard; in Ireland, 38 inmates attempt a mass breakout that was so daring it shocked an entire nation; and an Australian female warder falls in love with a prisoner and helps spring him from jail. Running from the law they go on a shooting spree becoming a modern day Bonnie and Clyde.

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### Storm Chasers

UK PREMIERE SERIES FRIDAYS FROM 3RD FEBRUARY, 9.00PM

Storm Chasers returns to Discovery Channel this February with the deadliest tornado season for over 50 years. 2011 was a year of historic and tragic loss, unimaginable damage and an earth shattering reminder of nature's force and power with more than 1600 twisters touching down across America, causing billions of dollars in property damage and well over 500 dead. Right in the heart of it, tracking these recordbreaking tornadoes, were extreme meteorologist Reed Timmer, IMAX filmmaker Sean Casey and veteran chaser Tim Samaras. They witnessed first-hand the infamous tornado outbreak of 27th April when nearly 200 tornados were recorded and over 300 lives lost in just a single day.

Their exclusive, never-before-seen footage combined with meteorological expertise and years of chasing experience piece together what actually happened.

In addition to the monster storms, the new season of **Storm Chasers** features new chase vehicles including the debut of Timmer's "Dominator 2" with its cutting edge research tools including sophisticated radar equipment and air cannons, and Twistex's newly revamped chase vehicle which has a new doppler radar and probe. The stakes and challenges are high for all three teams, and the race is on to learn more about these monsters of Mother Nature, improve early warning systems and ultimately save lives.

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# Squeamish

#### UK PREMIERE SERIES TUESDAYS FROM 14TH FEBRUARY, 10.00PM

This February, DMAX welcomes viewers to a world of the weird with brand new series, Squeamish. This series brings to the small screen the seemingly sick, strange and shocking habits and practices from people around the world, from a man who collects his own toenail clippings; a double-jointed boy who can skip through his arms; to analysing the bacteria poo, that makes our sweat smell and hair follicles that don't stop growing. The stories may be hard to stomach, but the science is truly fascinating. **Squeamish** will explain the inexplicable, define the disgusting, and seek out the science behind what makes people squirm.

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## Cupcake Girls

UK PREMIERE SERIES FRIDAYS FROM 24TH FEBRUARY, 9.00PM Success in business boils down to three simple rules. Rule number one, never start a business without a business plan. Rule number two, never go into a business you know nothing about and rule number three, never mix business with friendship. In 2002, best friends, Lori and Heather set up their first cupcake store, oblivious to all three of these rules. They started out the hard way. They now have six locations and their ultimate goal is to have one of their cupcake bakeries in the heart of every neighbourhood all over the World.

As the show unravels so do the trials and tribulations that come with owning and running your own business, both Heather's parents work for the company and it seems that dad, Brian is on his final warning after a tardy work ethic; and it appears there is a thief in one of the stores, in an attempt to discover the culprit the girls have a stake-out! As the series progresses, viewers will learn whether Heather and Lori have discovered the recipe to mix their personal and business lives?

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### Kate Plus 8

UK PREMIERE SERIES MONDAYS FROM 27TH FEBRUARY, 10.00PM All new episodes of **Kate Plus 8** join Kate and the Gosselin kids on new adventures, from activities at home to exciting field trips. Wherever they are, it's just a whole lot of fun with this family. In the premiere episode the sextuplets are turning seven and Kate is determined to make it a pool party to remember, but as everyone knows, pulling off a birthday party for six excited kids is no easy task. Will all the pressures of party planning, ordering food and getting specialised birthday cakes for each sextuplet get the best of Kate? And after all the chaos, with dark skies and rain predicted, will mother nature end up being the one to spoil all Kate's plans for an unforgettable seventh birthday? Then, later on in the series, Kate and her children embark on an road trip with Ashley, Kate's friend Jamie and her three children, Brooke, Reagan and Clay. They planned to cover almost 3,000 miles, visiting ten locations in 14 days. What started out as a typical Gosselin adventure quickly turned into a trip that no one would forget...

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## Safari Park Adventure

UK PREMIERE SERIES SATURDAYS FROM 4TH FEBRUARY, 9.00PM In a brand new ten-part series, Woburn Safari Park opens its doors and, for the first time, allows 'access all areas' to its 600 animals of 76 different species, seen in a unique perspective. Home to some of the most endangered wildlife on the planet, viewers meet dangerous carnivores to fragile new-borns, in unparalleled close encounters. Packed with drama, emotion and amazing beasts, the cameras go behind the scenes with the dedicated team of keepers, and follow how they care for the animals, how they keep them entertained and when it's necessary, call in the vet. There are disputes with the pride of lions, gory feeds and a shocking departure. Viewers will get up close and personal with the world's largest living land mammals, a herd of Asian elephants from tusk removals to pedicures, dentistry to swimming, the series even culminates with a pending elephant birth. From the humorous to the shocking, creatures great and small, **Safari Park Adventure** will get you under the skin of safari park life, as never before.

**Safari Park Adventure** will be simulcast on Sky 3D

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### Bondi Vet

#### UK PREMIERE SERIES WEEKNIGHTS FROM MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY, 7.00PM

This brand new series of **Bondi Vet** goes inside the incredible world of Doctor Chris Brown as he opens his heart to all creatures great and small. Dr Chris Brown has the Aussie charm and can win over any testy owner or animal. In this series he takes on the rescue and rehoming of two runaway brother puppies; rescues a three week old kitten, looks after a young dog bitten by a deadly snake; and has to deal with two devastated young girls as their first pet, a rabbit called Alice comes into the clinic fighting for her life after both her back legs have been mutilated.

# Your Very First Puppy

#### UK PREMIERE ONE-OFF TUESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY, 8.00PM

Dr Chris Brown is back on Animal Planet this month, with a one hour special, **Your Very** *First Puppy*. He will take viewers through the highs and the lows of owning your first puppy and shows how, if done right, it is a brilliantly rewarding experience. Viewers will follow the first six months of three puppies and their brand new owners, looking at the pros and the cons, ticking off the long checklist of puppy needs from beds to vaccinations and the crucial need for puppy training and socialisation. This is an animal long-term relationship and these little bundles of fluff are more than a handful. But, with the help of Dr Chris, will these puppies turn out to be their man's best friend?



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# Great Animal Escapes

UK PREMIERE SERIES THURSDAYS FROM 16TH FEBRUARY, 8.00PM Every day across the globe animals are mounting extraordinary break outs. With unique and jaw dropping footage, **Great Animal Escapes** catches them in the act. Viewers will meet elephants on a midnight stroll in suburbia, bulls hitting the high street and dogs and cats out smarting their owners. In each half hour episode, viewers will witness astonishing animal intelligence and ingenuity. Animal experts explain the behaviours and spread light on what our animal Houdini's are thinking.

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# Baby ER

UK PREMIERE SERIES TUESDAYS FROM 21ST FEBRUARY, 10.00PM **Baby ER** takes viewers inside the labour and delivery department of Vanderbilt University Medical Centre in Nashville, Tennessee and gives an intense and realistic portrayal of childbirth. Vanderbilt is one of the busiest maternity wards in the world. No other place sees more tears, screams and smiles, and this documentary captures every moment. In each half-hour episode, viewers will follow two families, starting with their chaotic, excited, emotional arrival at the maternity ward. Viewers will experience childbirth right alongside the family and chronicle all of their emotions throughout this life-changing event.

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# I Didn't Know I Was Pregnant

UK PREMIERE SERIES THURSDAYS FROM 16TH FEBRUARY I Didn't Know I Was Pregnant is back and once again exploring the astounding phenomenon of women unaware they were pregnant, until going into labour. This series kicks off with 21 year old Katlyn, who has just got engaged and is studying to become and dental hygienist. She has also set her mind on getting into shape and her new regime means she quickly starts to lose weight. One day, cramping and back pain keep her home from class, the pain worsens over the next 24 hours but Katlyn refuses to go to hospital. Next thing she knows she is doubled over on the bathroom floor... a baby is coming. How can a woman not know she was pregnant? Each gripping episode will leave viewers astonished at these women's unique, unusual and spell binding stories.



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## 19 Kids And Counting European Vacation

UK PREMIERE SERIES FRIDAYS FROM 3RD FEBRUARY, 10.00PM This February sees Jim Bob and Michelle pack up their bags and leave their family home in Arkansas for a family holiday in Europe, with all 19 kids. The three hour-long specials join the family in Scotland, Ireland, England, and on a once-in-a-lifetime trip to Israel.

First on the map is Edinburgh where the family walk the Royal Mile, visit Edinburgh Castle, and attend the Scottish Highland games, before travelling to Ireland. Next, the family move on to London, where Jim Bob and Michelle learn to drive on the "wrong" side of the road, the children enjoy high tea and the entire family takes a double-decker bus tour of the city and then take a monumental trip to Stonehenge.

The family continue their trip of a lifetime with their third and final stop abroad, Israel. While there, the family swims in the Dead Sea, visits a multi-religion outdoor marketplace, rides camels and experiences authentic, local cuisine. But the trip takes an unexpected turn when Josie becomes sick; something that may keep the whole family from returning home.



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## Mega World

UK PREMIERE SERIES WEEKDAYS FROM 27TH FEBRUARY, 7.00PM A new exciting season of *Mega World* is back on Discovery Science this February. Host Kevin Brauch explores new locations and presents each country's most impressive innovations in science and technology. This series takes a trip to the top of the Austrian Alps to see how a ski resort protects itself from deadly avalanches; shows how the world's largest shipbuilder has developed an amazing new method for constructing ships in South Korea; tests the latest weaponry at one of the U.S. Army's largest test facilities in Texas; and follows the construction of the world's tallest cable bridge in Mexico. Join Kevin as he embarks on this fascinating investigation of global creativity

and advancement. Each episode showcases the biggest, best and latest achievements in a broad range of scientific and engineering endeavours.

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## Swamp Brothers

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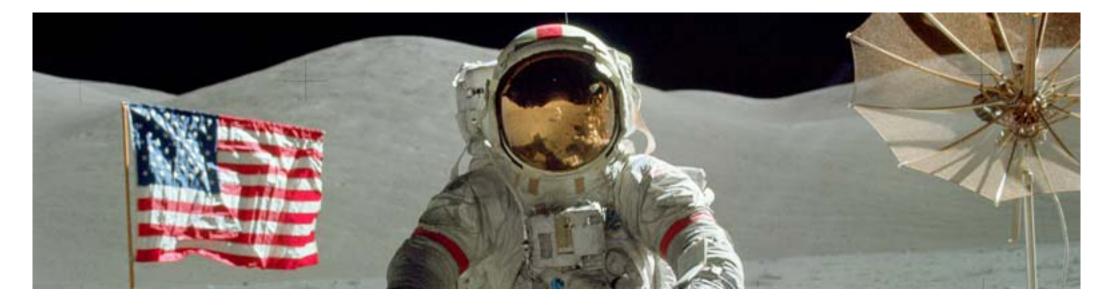
Robbie has been playing with wild animals his whole life. He wrestles snakes and crocs, lions and tigers and bears, and he loves it. Robbie's little brother Stephen has spent the last 15 years as a New York City bar tender. Now viewers will follow as he comes to the swamp lands of Central Florida to reconnect with his brother and help run the family business, working with wild and dangerous animals. Robbie needs Stephen to man up and learn fast or someone will get hurt or before they hurt each other. They have both put everything on the line and they have to make it work and protect the most unusual of creatures - from pythons and gators to wildcats and bears.

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## Apollo 17: The Untold Story Of The Last Men On The Moon

UK PREMIERE ONE-OFF THURSDAY 16TH FEBRUARY, 9.00PM 2012 marks the 40th anniversary of when man last stood upon the Moon. On the 25th May 1961, President John F. Kennedy of the United States of America, committed the resources of his nation and launched Project Apollo: the greatest technological undertaking in the history of mankind. But in 1972, only two years after Neil Armstrong first walked on the moon, public and political interest in Apollo had dwindled. NASA was forced to cut the program short, making Apollo 17 man's final mission to the moon. The world knows how the Apollo program began, but very few truly understand how it ended. Yet Apollo 17's voyage to the moon was the crowning glory of man's lunar exploration, breaking all previous records and making some of the greatest discoveries of the entire Apollo program. This is the remarkable story of the determination and courage of a generation. It is a tribute to three brave astronauts and the thousands of men and women behind them during the final days of NASA's Apollo program.



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## Disappeared

UK PREMIERE SERIES MONDAYS FROM 6TH FEBRUARY, 9.00PM The nothingness that comes with an individual vanishing leaves bone chilling shudders that viewers cannot escape when watching Investigation Discovery's returning series, **Disappeared**.

When a person disappears without a trace, often the most critical information is hidden in their actions and words from the days before they vanished. Each episode delves into new mysterious missing person reports and follows their harrowing investigations, some of which unfold quickly, others go cold for months, even years and some that remain open to this day. Stories in this series include 34 year old Allison Jackson-Foy who disappeared shortly after moving to Wilmington, North Carolina with her husband and two daughters. After a few drinks in a bar, Alison walks out the door and is never seen

or heard from again; After moving away from her family's farm and dropping out of high school, beautiful teen Brianna Maitland of Vermont tries getting her life back on track. But, four days after she vanishes, her family is left looking for answers in her abandoned car. Police think it all points to foul play, while others speculate that Brianna was taken away. But by who?

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### I Was Murdered

UK PREMIERE SERIES WEDNESDAYS FROM 15TH FEBRUARY, 9.00PM Investigation Discovery's captivating series *I Was Murdered* returns for a second season of mysterious murders revisited through the lens of the fictionalised, first-person perspectives of the victims. As investigators, family, and friends peel back the layers and facts of each case for viewers, the otherworldly narrator already knows how their story ends and supplies all-knowing observations hinting at breaks to come in the case. Early on in the series, viewers will learn the story of Rosie Larner, a typical teenager with the ability to find good in all people, including the bad boys she found herself befriending. Larner didn't see danger coming when she seemingly

vanished into thin air one cold December night. Her family knew that something was wrong when she didn't come home, but police couldn't prove the possibility of murder without a body, and that's just how her killer wanted it; and Tori Vienneau, who was a young mother to baby Dean when their bodies were found strangled in their own apartment. Considered the best daughter and friend anyone could ask for, her loved ones were in complete shock at the thought of such violence. The crime's horrible nature made investigators and the community wonder what kind of animal would kill an innocent mother and her bouncing baby boy. Unfortunately, their answer wasn't very far from home.

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# Hardcover Mysteries

UK PREMIERE SERIES SATURDAYS FROM 18TH FEBRUARY, 10.00PM Hardcover Mysteries travels inside the minds of America's most popular novelists and explores the crossover from fact to their fiction. How much of today's great mystery writing springs from the imagination... and how much of it is ripped from the headlines? In this exciting new series the world's top fiction crime writers, including, David Baldacci, Sandra Brown, Harlan Coben and Linda Fairstein, will help tell the stories of real-life cases that have inspired them to write. As each episode unfolds, the author comments on the specifics of the investigation or trial and offer first-hand knowledge from their personal experiences writing gripping mysteries. They will also share their thoughts on the writing process and their inspirations as they take their legions of loyal fans through the twist and turns of investigations as only true story tellers can do.

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