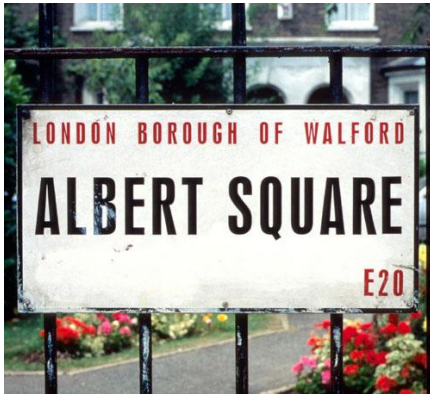


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CORONATION STREET AND EASTENDERS CLOSE THE GAP WITH THE UK

BRINGING DOUBLE THE DRAMA TO UKTV
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From May 1, UKTV will bring soap fans smash-hit dramas *Coronation Street* and *EastEnders* just one-and-a-half weeks after the British broadcast.

To catch up, Australian fans can enjoy more of the latest twists and turns with UKTV screening double episodes of the popular soaps weekly throughout February-April. *Coronation Street* will kick off double episodes each week night at 7pm from February 10 until March 16. *EastEnders* will follow airing two episodes every Monday-Thursday evening at 7:30pm from March 17 until the end of April.

With the stellar soap line up beginning in February, the evening soap block will start 30 minutes earlier and run for two hours with *Emmerdale* moving to the earlier time of 6.30pm.

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8:00pm Monday – Thursday: *EastEnders*

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Tim Christlieb, Head of Channels at BBC Worldwide Australia and New Zealand, commented ‘We’re delighted to be bringing loyal followers of these two huge British shows right up to date with the latest storylines from the UK. And what better way to catch-up than by treating fans to double helpings through February, March and April.’

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