

# MEDIA ALERT



Thursday October 29

## Stephen Fry in Central America

Tuesdays at 9.30pm from November 17 on BBC Knowledge



November on BBC Knowledge sees the Australian premiere of ***Stephen Fry in Central America***, the latest travel offering from the much-loved actor, author and television presenter, soon to be touring Australia for a series of live stage shows.

Seven years ago Stephen Fry travelled through all fifty states of the USA in a black cab. This time he boards a pimped out American school bus and embarks on an adventure into America's backyard – through Mexico and the entire Central American isthmus to the Panamanian border with South America.

It's a journey through some of the oldest civilisations on the planet – Mayan, Aztec, Olmec - and some of the most dangerous but breathtakingly beautiful countries that for most of us mean little more than a gap year, postcard from a beach or volcano, or a hazy idea of drug cartels, banana republics and forgotten civil wars.

Stephen wants to change that and get us to understand the people, the places, the wildlife, the history and all wrapped up in a great road trip. With a beguiling mixture of humour and embarrassment, Stephen immerses himself in a myriad of experiences to reveal the best and worst of this part of Latin America.

***“Enlightening and amusing”***

The Telegraph

***“Seeing the national treasure careering down a zip wire at 80mph was a rare treat”***

The Independent

***Stephen Fry in Central America (4 x 60)***

Starts Tuesday November 17 at 9.30pm on BBC Knowledge

Episodes are currently available to view on the [BBC Worldwide Press Preview Site](#).

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