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## All New Top Gear!

### Coming to BBC Knowledge this February, first on Foxtel

The boys are back with an all new season of Top Gear, jam-packed with all of the thrills and spills we have come to expect from the world's favourite car show. **Top Gear Series 21 will premiere Sunday February 9 at 8.30pm on BBC Knowledge.**

In this new series, Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond and James May embark on a huge road trip across Ukraine in three small cars with even smaller engines. They re-live the glory days of the 1980s in three 'classic' hot hatchbacks, and have a ham-fisted crack at making a public safety film for the government.

There's also the new Alfa 4C sports car racing a very unusual quad bike, the sensational McLaren P1 tearing a strip off Belgium, an insane six-wheeled Mercedes in the desert, and the unusual sight of James May in a Caterham. And as if that wasn't enough, the series includes a mad-capped two-part adventure across the wilds of Burma as the presenters take three lorries on what could be Top Gear's toughest challenge to date.

Fan favourite, 'Star in a Reasonably Priced Car' will return to our screens once again, with Downton Abbey's Hugh Bonneville taking to the track in the first episode of the new series.

Top Gear fans can experience their favourite car show in the flesh this March when Jeremy Clarkson, James May and The Stig travel to Australia for Top Gear Festival Sydney, held at Sydney Motorsport Park on March 8-9. Jeremy Clarkson and James May will play hosts alongside Shane Jacobson, Steve Pizzati and new host Craig Lowndes. The Festival will feature spectacular stunts, world firsts and exciting action including Infiniti Red Bull Racing's, Daniel Ricciardo, in a series of Top Gear-style challenges, and a tribute to legendary driver Ayrton Senna featuring his championship winning MP4/4 car. For more information and tickets, go to [www.topgearfestivalsydney.com.au](http://www.topgearfestivalsydney.com.au).

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