

# PRESS RELEASE

2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015

## TOP GEAR'S ADVENTURE DOWN UNDER Encore tonight at 7.30pm (AEDT) on BBC Knowledge

"When Bentley built the Continental or when BMW built the Gran Coupé they didn't think cattle herding, that's what these cars are meant for," Andy Wilman, Top Gear Executive Producer (source: topgear.com).



**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February:** The latest episode of **Top Gear** sees the three presenters tackling the Northern Territory in luxury GT cars, testing their limits in the harsh Australian outback. The episode simulcast on BBC Knowledge this morning, with an encore broadcast tonight at 7.30pm (AEDT).

Before starting off on their adventure Jeremy reminds viewers that 'Vauxhall once thought they would try and sell the senator in Australia a big old Saloon made in Germany in the 80s, so they shipped one out here and it lasted a couple of days and then it split in half - that's how brutal the outback is.'

A drag race across an airfield lets the boys test out the speed of their cars and a plethora of Animal crossing road signs inspire a breaking test between the three GT's - with surprising results.

A night in the million stars resort, boasting the best fish restaurant in the outback –turns out to be a campsite next to a crocodile infested river and a race around a mine introduces viewers to the Stig's Australian cousin – attired in thongs as he attempts to beat the three GT's in a Holden HSV Maloo.

Jeremy tests out new ways to protect their campsite from the threat of deadly animals and the boys finish their adventure herding cattle on a farm 'the same size as South East England' where the nearest supermarket is 250 miles away. 'That's like driving from London to Newcastle just to buy some washing up liquid,' says Clarkson.

Jeremy Clarkson, James May and Richard Hammond will soon be back in Australia for the Top Gear Festival in Sydney – the first time all three presenters have headed up the event.

**-ENDS-**

**For more information please contact**

Phoebe Price, Senior Communications Executive 02 9744 4507

**TOP GEAR SEASON 22**

Simulcasts on BBC Knowledge Monday's at 7.00am with an encore broadcast at 7.30pm.

**TOP GEAR FESTIVAL SYDNEY: APRIL 2015**

Tickets are now on sale to see **Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond** and **James May** host the fastest and loudest Top Gear Festival ever at Sydney Motorsport Park, Eastern Creek on 18-19 April 2015.

More information about the Festival here - <http://www.topgearfestivalsydney.com.au/>

Tickets are on sale now from Ticketek – [www.ticketek.com.au/topgearfestivalsydney](http://www.ticketek.com.au/topgearfestivalsydney)

## TOP GEAR EXTREME PARKING APP

Take on the challenge of the official, world famous *Top Gear* Test Track for the first time on smartphones and tablets with the *Top Gear* Extreme Parking game, free to download from the [App Store](#), [Google Play](#) and [Amazon](#).

## About BBC Worldwide Australia & New Zealand

Australia & New Zealand (ANZ) is a priority territory for BBC Worldwide, focusing on growth across all its core business areas. Based in Macquarie Park, Sydney, BBC Worldwide ANZ wholly owns six channels: BBC First, UKTV, BBC Knowledge and CBeebies in Australia; UKTV and BBC Knowledge in New Zealand; and is responsible for the distribution and promotion of BBC World News which transmits in both countries. BBC Worldwide ANZ distributes great British content from the BBC and other producers to all free-to-air and most subscription channels in Australia and New Zealand. It works with partners to bring BBC Worldwide DVDs, magazines, digital apps, innovative products and live events to the local market, as well as offering advertising opportunities for the BBC's world renowned [bbc.com](#) news site.

[bbcworldwide.com](http://bbcworldwide.com)  
[twitter.com/bbcwpress](https://twitter.com/bbcwpress)

