

VERVE ENTERTAINMENT INTERNATIONAL HIGH DEFINITION CATALOGUE...

Children of the Golden Horse (1 x ½ hr)

Culture – Factual – Family - HDV

A unique documentary of faith, conflict and dreams...

Ten-year old Jattae is a "Hilltriber", one of the ethnic minorities living in poverty in the mountains of Northern Thailand. Without Thai citizenship Jattae and those like him have no right to a school education or public health care. Many of the inhabitants of these villages escape poverty through drug dealing or prostitution, but young Jattae dreams of escape by moving to a nearby Buddhist Temple run by a famous Monk, Phra Khru Ba – a local hero who actively campaigns for the rights of the Hilltribers.

The Temple has over 100 horses who help advertise the temple; encourage visitors to donate money and attract more young boys to the school. As the monk Phra Khru Ba finds himself unable to give all the children the time and attention they deserve, the horses also serve to provide an emotional bond to the boys as well.

Join Jattae during a very important month in his life. A unique testament of faith and dreams.

A Marta Polo Media Production

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Dancing Around the World (13 x ½ hrs)

HDV

A mesmerizing magical journey dancing around the globe

Belly Dancing in Turkey, Salsa in Brazil, Disco in the USA, The Hula in Hawaii, Morris Dancing in the UK, the Haka in New Zealand and Temple Dancing in Sri Lanka.

Exploring the culture – the history and the origins of each dance style so unique to each country we visit, our presenter Seda Jurin interviews the best exponents and shares in the breathtaking performances.

Surround yourself in the music, people, fashion and culture in which dancing is so deeply immersed.

A rich, colourful, fast paced and compelling series,

Dancing Around The World will engage and transport you in a journey you will never forget

Mixing with Best – Series 2 (13 x ½ hrs)

Lifestyle - Culture – Travel - Food

Style, Locations, Fashion, Music and Class. Mixing with the Best is an unashamedly elitist program that takes the viewer on a fantastic journey through the world of cocktail culture.

New York, London, Paris, Sydney, Melbourne Miami, LA, Turkey, Hong Kong and Taiwan We visit the world's top bars - mix with the world's best bar tenders experiencing their signature cocktails. Live the music, fashion, locations and lifestyle that for most people remain a dream, beyond that velvet rope.

www.mixingwiththebest.com

A Crew Production

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My Voice (5 x 4 mins)

Factual – Interstitials

In five interstitial documentaries MY VOICE takes a quick dip into the lives of five disabled individuals, and shows how they communicate and express themselves in the face of physical challenges. We meet:

Richard – once a stockman, now an artist. Richard has not let quadriplegia stop him from fulfilling his dreams.

Cathy – Muscular Dystrophy is a debilitating disability that attacks the body relentlessly. However it hasn't stopped Cathy in her artistic endeavours and her plans to pass on her knowledge of art to willing students

Jungle – Has schizophrenia and has spent many years battling through the troubles in his life. Things changed when he picked up a paintbrush and decided to devote his life and surroundings to art

Tim – Being visually impaired has stopped him from fulfilling his dream. He plays bass guitar in a band called Legally blind.

Daniel – At twenty-two years of age, Daniel is one of Adelaide's most respected dancers. This achievement is even more amazing as he has Cerebral Palsy.

A Q Production

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Not All Tea & Scones (4 x ½ hrs)

Factual – Culture - Women

A delicious but lemony slice of country life...

Petticoats and pearls. James and chutneys. Scones and tarts. Droughts and deaths. Bankruptcies and auctions. Tractors and tragedies. Mothers and babies. Town and country.

It's the Country Women's Association (these days known to its members as Chicks With Attitude). And it's the bond that binds rural Australian women together through the greatest adversity they've known in their hundred year history.

An affectionate portrait of a life on the land that is fading fast - told through the stories of rural women as they prepare for the annual "The Land Cooking Contest"... The summer harvest is in... the hot, dry months finally give way to cooler days and nights..

the worries of the time are set aside as 14,000 women across rural New South Wales prepare for the great annual cook-off. The competition is fierce, the standard is high. But in the finest traditions of sisterhood, there is a pithy sadness mixed with laughter as stories of hardship and triumph over adversity are shared around the mixing bowls and over a cup of tea.

With intimate and moving interviews with the women as well as recipes and cooking guides, Not all Tea and Scones will provide a sensory feast as we follow the journey of a small group of women, celebrating their resourcefulness, grit and friendships as they shoulder rural Australia through challenging times

A Purple Pictures Production

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On a Wave (1 x 1hr or 13 x ½ hrs)**Lifestyle - Culture - Travel**

Beach culture The world over... A passion for the ocean knows no boundaries
Smelling the sea air, sand between the toes, sun-kissed skin, sunrises, sunsets...

The ocean is by far the one biggest and most constant attraction around the world – drawing people to its shores from cultures far and wide. Old or young, rich or poor, north or south.

Beach culture is a worldwide phenomenon that continues to increase over time

Adventure, sports, leisure, freedom, relaxation, friends, romance, family fun - lifestyle

Fresh and captivating

On A Wave is beach lifestyle. The world's beaches, a story of each of their own. Unique destinations that all share a common thread - The Ocean and the Lifestyle it generates... .

We meet the locals - the characters who run the businesses, protect the swimmers, fight for the ocean. What is their beach passion, where does it come from and what makes their beach unique. Real stories - the people, community and the culture behind some of the most beautiful and intriguing beaches around the world.

Whatever the story is, we find it... On A Wave...

www.onawave.info

A Fusion Factory Production

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Real Top Guns (6 x ½ hrs)**Reality – Entertainment – Mens**

Hot young fighter pilots - the men and women who dare to reach for the sky-high title of 'Top Gun', flying some of the deadliest fighter planes of today. REAL TOP GUNS takes us to the heights of action - amazing sequences with outrageously expensive fighter planes dog-fighting above the Australian desert - in-cockpit action as pilots take themselves and their machines to the limits – and more exhilarating combat flying footage than the movie itself. REAL TOP GUNS also promises the real life stories. We go right behind the scenes delving into the characters personal stories - sharing their dreams and the dramas of the day. HIGH ACTION CHARACTER DRIVEN REAL LIFE DRAMA

A Quail TV Production

Worldwide rights available with Verve

Robert Lovett: Artist & Traveller- India (1 x 1hr)**Travel – Art – Culture - HDV**

The colours of the Indian landscape seep onto his canvases

Have you ever watched an international artist paint The Taj Mahal?

See the beauty and colour of India as never before through the eyes of a great artist.

Robert Lovett, a painter for 57 years, seeks out the unusual, the spectacular and the colourful. Watch over his shoulder as he paints. You will be entertained on a wonderful journey to ancient cities and forts and colourful festivals. An insight to the simple way of life of the desert people of Rajasthan. Visit the tropical south of Kerala and experience the exotic Kathakali dancers as Robert paints to the drum beats.

You will be enthralled to watch as he paints his stunning water colours, exposing the character of a diverse and colourful country.

A Lovett-art production

Worldwide rights available with Verve

www.lovetart.com

Saving Babies – Series 1 & 2 (16 x ½ hrs)**Reality – Factual – Medical – Family - HDV**

Gripping, emotional and uplifting scenes as courageous families tell their stories of incredible medical miracles. For most parents, a new baby brings enormous joy, but for the few whose newborn faces complications, birth creates the most uncertain and challenging journey of their lives. Saving Babies follows the stories of infants requiring immediate medical attention, whose lives are in the hands of dedicated teams at Sydney's Royal Hospital for Women. In the Intensive Care Unit, doctors, midwives, nurses and specialists work around the clock, saving the lives of the smallest babies imaginable. It's a place where medical miracles happen every day.

Covering long-term problems diagnosed while the baby is in the womb, to unexpected complications soon after birth, Saving Babies follows the ups and downs of courageous families who share their stories to show the world the incredible work of their medical specialists.

A Quail Television Production for Network Ten

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www.quailtv.tv & www.savingbabies.com.au

Saving Kids (8 x ½ hrs)**Reality – Factual – Medical – Family - HDV**

Little patients, Big stories from a special place where the job is saving kids. Uplifting tales of love, hope and medical wonder at a busy children's hospital where extraordinary people save the day when kids are ill or have an accident. Children's hospitals are filled with love and emotion, the doctors and nurses who work there are the most dedicated professionals who deal with all kinds of cases, from sore throats to major traumas to long-term treatments involving the most intricate surgery. To specialize in the care of such precious patients requires a special kind of person. Saving Kids follows the fascinating work of doctors and nurses on the job at Sydney Children's Hospital and focuses on the heart warming stories of their little patients.

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www.quailtv.tv

The Great Italian Café (6 x ½ hrs)**Travel – Lifestyle - Culture – Food - HDV**

A coffee lover's celebration of the Great Italian Café.

There are so many wonderful things about Italy. The food, fashion, architecture, beautiful people and the fantastic cars, but for many Italy is all about coffee and the cafés.

Whether it's cappuccino at breakfast or espresso in the afternoon, this mysterious brew seems to somehow fuel Italian culture and drive the people that live there.

The Great Italian Café's are treasures that allow us to experience the history, culture and style of the world's coffee capital.

Enjoy an authentic travel experience as we journey through the best in café culture from Venice, Treviso, Milan, Turin and Bologna celebrating the passion of the country's aficionados, the regional variations in coffee culture and the role the Great Italian Café has played in the development of Italy.

An Igloo production

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The Ultimate Donation (2 x 1hr)**Reality – Factual – Medical – Family - HDV**

With the untimely death of an anonymous person comes the opportunity to save the lives of up to seven people with fatal medical conditions. Organ transplants are a wonder of modern medicine.

For the surgical teams that retrieve the organs and those who transplant the precious gifts, the call to save lives always comes without warning and results in a race against the clock to perform transplants in time.

The Ultimate Donation has unprecedented access to all aspects of organ donation. Cameras are allowed into the operating room while organs are retrieved and coverage of the organised scramble to transport the life-saving packages on jets and fast cars to critically ill patients results in exhilarating television.

As major organs are sent to transplant units around the country, surgical teams prepare to perform the operations. The Ultimate Donation follows heart-warming stories of patients who receive the gift of life in time. There's two year-old Karleigh, who needs a life-saving liver transplant and a young father Robert, who's been in a coma for three weeks as his wife waits and hopes for a new set of lungs.

Single man David gets his life back with a new kidney and pancreas and Kim leaves hospital just days after receiving a new heart. With an emotional twist comes the poignant footnote to the series as a new heart arrives too late for Evan, a father of three.

Paying tribute to those who have given the greatest gift of all, this action-packed two-part special rides with organ retrieval teams in speeding jets and police cars and showcases the vital work of transplant surgeons under pressure.

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