

Top Gear COMPLETE COLLECTION

V3

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Five years is a long time.

Five long years have passed since the last complete collection was publicly released. For a while progress was slow, but the team spent this hiatus trawling through archives, delving into the deepest corners of the internet, as well as restoring and polishing the content to bring you something truly worthy of the wait. We are now ready to release the first stage of our next generation collection.

Welcome to TGCC V3

For the uninitiated, the Top Gear Complete Collection (TGCC) is an attempt to preserve a piece of television history that defined a generation. But V3 is not simply an update; it is a completely new pack. We didn't just slap a new coat of paint on the old release. We stripped it down to the chassis and rebuilt it from the ground up.

The Collection

This pack represents the current definitive archive of the world's greatest motoring show. Inside, you will find the distinct parts of the legend:

- **The CHM Era (2002–2015):** The heart of the collection. Every episode featuring Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond, and James May. From the humble beginnings with Jason Dawe in Series 1 to the final, chaotic farewells of Season 22, this is the complete run of the trio that changed automotive journalism forever, available without any missing content for the first time ever.
- **OTG (Original Top Gear):** Before the studio audiences and the Stig, there was the original run of the show. Within this pack you will find a comprehensive collection of the widescreen era, consisting of the series 40-45, which mark a shift from the sensible beginnings and feature more exciting stunts and challenges. The rest of the older series are scheduled for release in the near future.
- **Jeremy Clarkson Side Shows:** Four legendary shows by the man himself, featuring exciting adventures and intriguing investigations. For the first time ever, Motorworld, Extreme Machines, Car Years and Speed are available completely uncut.
- **Retail Releases:** This pack includes a full set of Top Gear retail releases. These DVD and BluRay specials—often featuring different edits, extended cuts, or special features not aired on television—are included in the highest available quality.

Built for the Modern Audience

We know that most of you aren't just watching files on a desktop anymore; you are curating personal media collections and streaming to devices all over your home, or even across the globe.

V3 has been designed from the ground up to be officially compatible with **Plex** and **Jellyfin**.

Previous iterations of Top Gear collections were notorious for being almost impossible to correctly index and match. The naming conventions were messy, and the specials and countless extras were a nightmare to categorise. The V3 pack has been designed specifically to work with Plex and Jellyfin. Other media server platforms may work, but are not officially supported.

We have painstakingly organised the file structures, naming conventions, and metadata to ensure that when you drop this folder into a pre-configured library, it just works. Posters should populate, episode summaries should display, and specials should slot into their correct chronological order without the need for hours of manual editing.

RECOMMENDED

The Plex logo, featuring the word "plex" in a lowercase, sans-serif font. The "x" is stylized with a yellow-to-orange gradient.

pros

- minimal setup configuration
- supports combining local and online metadata sources
- wider platform support
- auto generating thumbnails for extra/bonus content

cons

- some advanced features require a plex pass
- basic metadata handling features

The Jellyfin logo, featuring a stylized triangle icon with a blue-to-purple gradient, followed by the word "Jellyfin" in a lowercase, sans-serif font.

pros

- open-source and entirely free
- official external plugin support
- advanced customisation

cons

- does not properly support local metadata overrides
- setup is more complex
- remote access requires manual setup

Detailed List Of Contents

Top Gear (2002–2015)

All main episodes from S01-S22 in complete form, featuring original soundtracks and uncut segments such as the 'greatest car' competition from S02. Including:

- Episodes unedited from broadcast version, in the form of hybrid 540p50 BBC iPlayer rips with higher bitrate audio tracks.
- High quality transport streams for all of HD era and some of the SD episodes, including all of S13.
- Lower quality complete recordings of a few episodes from S06, S09-S12, as well as an analogue VHS recording of the BBC2 airing of S02E08 – provided as extras.
- More bonus features, such as outtakes, trailers, and behind-the-scenes footage, even for the first series.
- Numerous sketches from various shows, based around Top Gear and its presenters.

Original Top Gear (1998–2002)

All episodes from the 'widescreen era' of S40-S45, in complete or semi-complete form:

- Restored edited versions of most S40-S43 episodes, using combinations of various sources, to restore as much missing footage as possible. Also, lighter editing as well as audio fixes for S44-S45.
- Only around 40 minutes of footage from 7 incomplete and 3 almost complete episodes remain missing. S44-S45 are now entirely complete.
- High quality analogue and digital recordings for select episodes, mostly in S45.

Jeremy Clarkson Side Shows

- Motorworld: high quality digital recordings of the full 29-minute episodes, in contrast to the previously available 24-minute UKTV cut versions.
- Car Years, Extreme Machines, Meets the Neighbours: uncut VHS recordings of all episodes without any missing footage or censorship.
- Speed: widescreen How To Channel recordings of all episodes, as well as the alternate cut of episode 2.

Retail releases

All included in original quality, remixed from their respective DVD or Blu-ray source.

Full documentation regarding the included Original Top Gear episodes, as well as their missing segments, can be found in the information folder.

Any personal recordings or uncommon finds from the show are highly awaited! Please contact us on Discord if you have anything to share.

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We want to extend a massive thank you to the community for your patience. Archival work is slow, tedious, and often thankless, but the unwavering support for TGCC has kept the engine running and the spirits high.

We hope this collection serves as a worthy tribute to the programme we all love. While you can expect more in the near future; it is finally time to hand the keys over to you.

Enjoy,

- The TGCC Team

