



## **RIVER MONSTERS Season 5 Programme Synopses**

### **Killer Torpedo (Tarpon, Nicaragua)**

#### **Programme Description (approx. 100 words)**

In the heart of Central America, in a land known for its drug smuggling and remote jungle waterways, lurks a man sized killer - a creature that instils fear in all who encounter it. It is said to reach eight feet in length and weigh some three hundred pounds, and when it leaps into boats it causes fatal injuries as it knocks fishermen unconscious and smashes their bones. Jeremy Wade will be taken to breaking point and beyond, as he relearns everything he knows about fishing, in an attempt to catch this elusive River Monster.

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### **Vampires of the Deep (Lamprey, US)**

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On the Canadian-US border lies a vast and brooding lake that hides a dark history. For Native Americans it's an ancient and sacred site home to underwater spirits. But recently something has risen up from the murky depths to attack swimmers and stories abound of a nightmarish invasion of primordial bloodsuckers. In a journey that will take him to the heart of a thundering waterfall in the Pacific Northwest, extreme angler Jeremy Wade is embarking on a punishing mission to battle the most ancient river monster he's ever encountered, and reveal the true identity of the Vampires of the Deep.

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### **Atomic Assassin (Wel's Catfish, Chernobyl, Ukraine)**

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After venturing to over twenty countries in search of monster fish, biologist and extreme angler Jeremy Wade is thrown headfirst into his most dangerous challenge to date. Stories of grizzly attacks in a remote rural corner of Ukraine lead him on the hunt for an elusive lake monster but the century's old trail soon lands him at the most unlikely location: the site of the worst nuclear accident in human history – Chernobyl's reactor number 4. In a nerve-shredding race against radiation and time, can he uncover the culprit and could it really be the gargantuan mutant of his innermost nightmares.

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### **Colombian Slasher (Stingray, Colombia)**

#### **Programme Description (approx. 100 words)**

A honeymoon bride is dragged to her death in the Colombian Amazon. Known for drugs and hostage-taking rebels, Colombia is one of the most dangerous countries in South America. Jeremy's investigation begins with the

usual deadly suspects, until a retired Nurse delivers crucial new evidence, turning the investigation on its head. Jeremy has to prove a far-fetched theory about the bride's last moments and in doing so he manages to uncover the horrifying truth behind this tragic tale. To complete the puzzle Jeremy pushes his fishing gear past breaking-point and finally discovers the identity of the 'Colombian Slasher'.

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**Legend of Loch Ness (Greenland Shark, UK, Iceland & Norway)**

**Programme Description (approx. 100 words)**

For more than 30 years hardened angler Jeremy Wade has taken on the world's most legendary river monsters bar one – the Loch Ness Monster. It's a challenge he's been reluctant to take on, until now. But can the freshwater detective succeed where so many have failed and uncover the true identity of the creature behind the myth? On an epic mission to track down the world's most famous cryptid he travels from the depths of Loch Ness to the volcanoes of Iceland and beyond. But will his Nordic Odyssey really uncover the mother of all monsters, the legend of legends?

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Jeremy Wade embarks on an epic mission to reveal the real creature behind the world's most famous river monster - the Loch Ness Monster. His Nordic Odyssey will take him from the depths of Loch Ness to the volcanoes of Iceland and beyond – but will he uncover the legend of legends?

**Face Ripper (Piranha, Bolivia & Suriname)**

**Programme Description (approx. 100 words)**

For more than quarter of a century angling sleuth Jeremy Wade has investigated horrific deaths after people encountering fresh water monsters. Now he embarks on his most disturbing case yet – a man having his face ripped off in a remote Bolivian river. To track down the culprit he sets off through a dangerous jungle riddled with cocaine smugglers. This epic journey ends up challenging his core beliefs about one of his oldest adversaries and this time he may have got himself in too deep!

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