



TABOO

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The Observer

From executive producers **Ridley Scott**, **Tom Hardy**, and **Steven Knight** comes the year's most talked about drama as the acclaimed new series, **TABOO**, arrives on Blu-ray, DVD and Digital on **May 29th** courtesy of STUDIOCANAL. Gritty, atmospheric, and visually stunning, **TABOO** is a thrilling and immersive journey into a world of 19th century political and psychological intrigue, as Academy Award®-nominated actor **Tom Hardy** leads an all-star cast on a descent into pre-Victorian London's heart of darkness.

Set in 1814, **TABOO** follows James Keziah Delaney (Tom Hardy), a man who has been to the ends of the earth and returns irrevocably changed. Believed to be long dead, he returns home to London from Africa to inherit what is left of his father's shipping empire and rebuild a life for himself. But his father's legacy is a poisoned chalice, and with enemies lurking in every dark corner, James must navigate increasingly complex territories and assemble his very own delinquent league of the damned to avoid his own death sentence. Encircled by conspiracy, murder and betrayal, a dark family mystery unfolds in a combustible tale of love and treachery.

The series is collectively brought to life by a talented, international ensemble cast that, in addition to Hardy, includes **Jonathan Pryce, Oona Chaplin, Stephen Graham, Michael Kelly, Jessie Buckley, David Hayman, Tom Hollander, Jason Watkins, Franke Potente, Jefferson Hall, Ed Hogg, Leo Bill, Christopher Fairbank, Richard Dixon, Mark Gatiss, Nicholas Woodeson, Lucian Msamati**, and introducing **Robert Parker**.

Unlike anything to receive a Saturday evening prime time slot on BBC1, the gripping eight-part series is a dark, moody, and subversive take on the classic period drama that paints Georgian London at its grisly best. Based on an original story by Tom and his father, **Chips Hardy**, the series reunites Hardy with Academy Award®-nominated writer Steven Knight for their third collaboration following *Locke* and *Peaky Blinders*.

TABOO is created by Steven Knight with Tom Hardy, and Chips Hardy, who is also the show's consulting producer. Executive producers are Ridley Scott and Kate Crowe for Scott Free London, Tom Hardy and Dean Baker for Hardy Son & Baker, and Steven Knight. The series is produced by Scott Free London and Hardy Son & Baker for BBC One and FX with Sonar Entertainment distributing worldwide outside the UK.

With a second season of **TABOO** already confirmed, now is the time to catch up on 2017's most addictive new series.

Taboo Release Details

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STUDIOCANAL is actively developing and distributing high-end TV series through its network of award-winning production companies including Tandem Productions in Germany (*Crossing Lines*, *Spotless*), the UK's RED Production Company (*Happy Valley*) and BAMBÚ PRODUCCIONES (*Grand Hotel*, *Velvet*).

Additionally, STUDIOCANAL owns one of the most important film libraries in the world, with more than 5,000 international titles.

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