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Daily Express

"Thaw and Whately are, if anything, even more convincing now than when this brilliant series first hit the screen"
Daily Mirror

"an absolute belter... a gem of a script and a zinging central performance from John Thaw..."
The Sun

"Morse is 'class incarnate'. The double act of Morse and Lewis gets ever richer in its dynamics."
The Independent

Awards

BAFTA Awards

John Thaw – Best Actor
Best Drama

Barrington Pheloung – Best Sound – Fiction

RTS Programme Awards

Best Drama Series

TV Times Awards

John Thaw – Favourite Actor

Television and Radio Industry Awards

Programme of the Year

Houston International Film Festival

Silver Award – Feature Made for Television

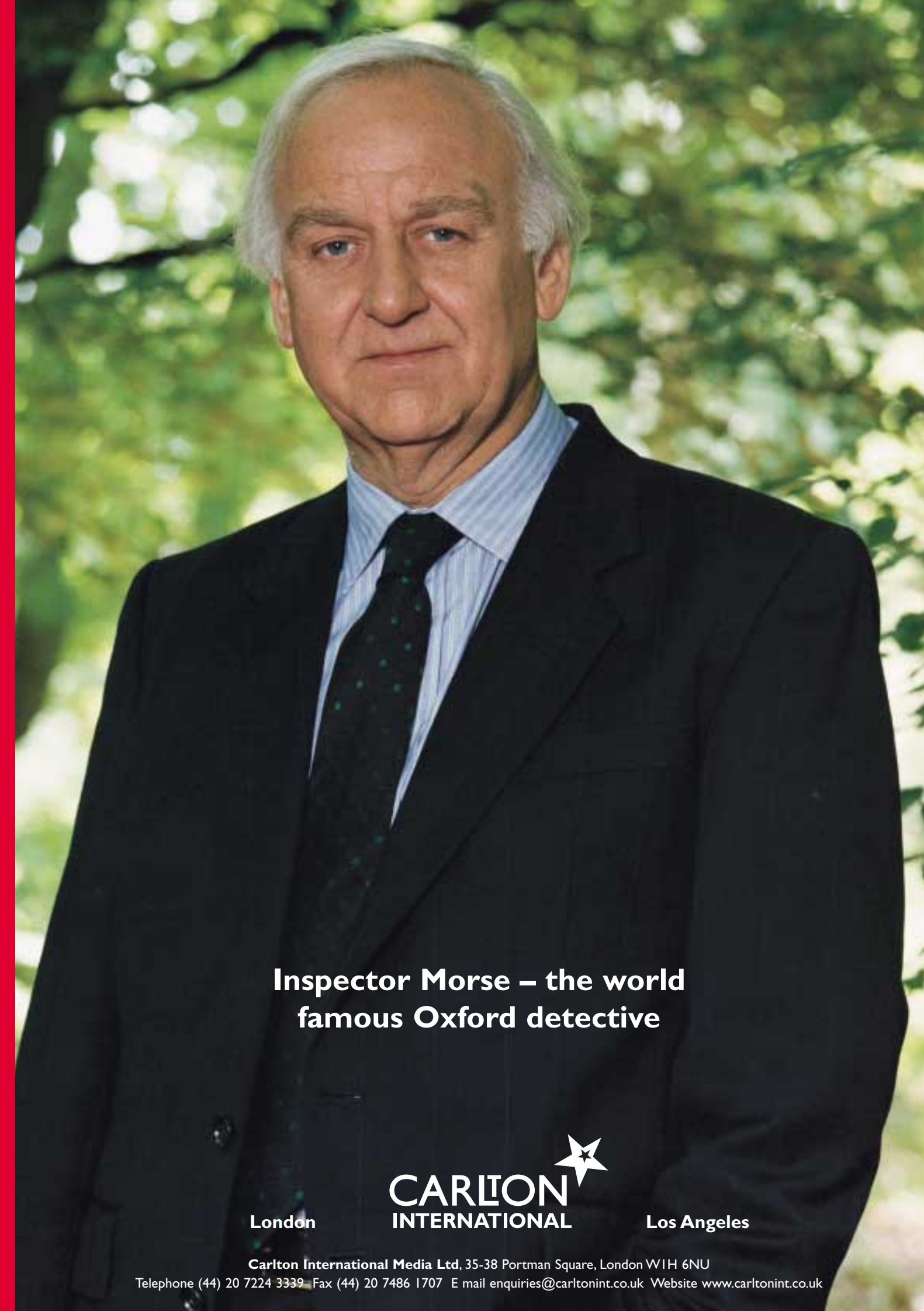
American Film Festival

Red Ribbon – Feature Length Drama

Red Ribbon – Feature Focus: Drama

5th Annual Television Awards, New Jersey

Award of Merit – Best Drama Production: Feature Length



Inspector Morse – the world famous Oxford detective

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Oxford's most famous export, the unique character of Inspector Endeavour Morse, has proven to be one of the world's most popular detective dramas. The series, which comprises two hour films, has been broadcast to over 200 countries, attracting a global audience of 750 million people, to great critical acclaim. In the UK, Inspector Morse regularly won audiences of over 16 million, and has won several BAFTA Awards.

The series concludes with *The Remorseful Day* – a special feature which sees the sad demise of this beloved sleuth.

Morse (John Thaw – *Goodnight Mister Tom*, *Monsignor Renard*) is a gentle romantic with a cantankerous nature, and a passion for real ale, cryptic crosswords and classical music. He has a soft spot for the ladies and a squeamish nature when it comes to corpses. His sidekick Lewis is more down-to-earth and it is his attention to detail that has helped Morse out of trouble on more than a few occasions.

The series features many distinguished actors including Sir John Gielgud (*Hamlet*, *Elizabeth*), Simon Callow (*Notting Hill*, *Four Weddings and a Funeral*), Liz Hurley (*Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery*, *Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me*), Julia Sawalha (*Absolutely Fabulous*), Sean Bean (*Sharpe*, *GoldenEye*), Jonathan Firth (*An Ideal Husband*) and Richard Wilson (*One Foot in the Grave*).

Based on the characters created by Colin Dexter, writers include Anthony Minghella (*The English Patient*, *The Talented Mr Ripley*), Julian Mitchell (*Staying On*) and Charles Wood (*An Awfully Big Adventure*). Among the many celebrated directors who have worked on Morse are Danny Boyle (*Trainspotting*), Adrian Shergold (*Holding On*) and Antonia Bird (*Priest*).



Series 1 – 3 x 2 hours

The Dead of Jericho

Morse has hopes of a blossoming romance with piano teacher Anne, which are shattered when she is found murdered. Featuring Patrick Troughton (*Doctor Who*) and Gemma Jones (*Sense and Sensibility*).

The Silent World of Nicholas Quinn

Morse and Lewis solve the murder of a deaf examination syndicate college official who stumbled upon a scheme to sell examination questions. Featuring Barbara Flynn (*Wives and Daughters*).

Service of all the Dead

Morse investigates five ruthless, gruesome killings in and around a quiet country church with the help of the church cleaner, to whom he becomes attracted. Featuring John Norrington (*The Unknown Soldier*, *David Copperfield*).



Series 2 – 4 x 2 hours

Wolvercote Tongue

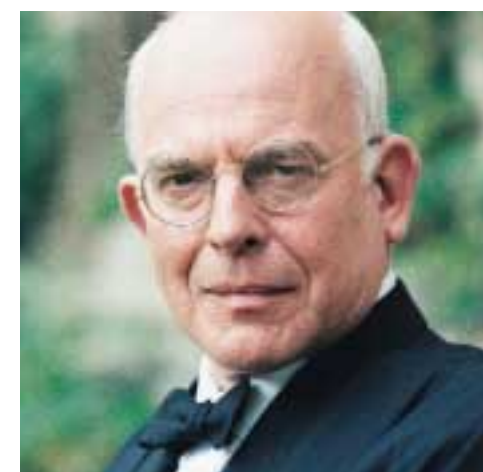
A wealthy American tourist dies of a heart attack in the Randolph Hotel. Shortly after, the curator of a museum is found dead in the canal and a group of elderly American tourists and their Oxford tour guide become the prime suspects. Featuring Simon Callow (*Four Weddings and a Funeral*).

Settling of the Sun

The tranquil cloisters of an ancient Oxford college become the scene of a gruesome revenge killing, and Morse begins to realise that he has been set up as an alibi for the people responsible for the student's death. Featuring Amanda Burton (*Peak Practice*).

Last Seen Wearing

The daughter of a wealthy businessman has gone missing and Morse confidently concludes the woman is dead. His inquiry takes him to a boarding school for girls, where he encounters a likely suspect – the Headmaster. Featuring Liz Hurley (*Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me*) and Julia Sawalha (*Absolutely Fabulous*).



Last Bus to Woodstock

The death of a young woman in the car park of a pub on Woodstock Road presents a puzzle for Morse. An empty envelope in her purse leads Morse to a web of sexual intrigue as he unravels a pair of extracurricular relationships. Featuring Holly Aird (*Soldier, Soldier*).

Series 3 – 4 x 2 hours

The Ghost in the Machine

Some valuable paintings are stolen from the magnificent stately home of Sir Julius Hanbury. But when Hanbury himself mysteriously disappears, Morse delves into the minds and morals of the aristocracy to solve this baffling case. Featuring Patricia Hodge (*The Moonstone*, *The Shell Seekers*).

The Last Enemy

Morse goes to Oxford University to unravel the mystery of a missing college professor and a mutilated corpse floating in a nearby canal. Featuring Amanda Hillwood (*A Woman of Substance*).

Deceived by Flight

Morse and Lewis investigate the apparent suicide of an old acquaintance, who happens to be a member of the Clarets XI cricket team. Lewis is sent in to work undercover, but before the case is solved, a second man is murdered and Lewis himself is attacked by someone wielding a cricket bat.



The Secret of Bay 5B

Playboy architect Michael Gifford is found strangled in his car and the only clues to his murder are his parking ticket and his diary, which reveals his regular assignments in the car park. Featuring Amanda Hillwood (*A Woman of Substance*).

Series 4 – 4 x 2 hours

Infernal Serpent

Morse is called in when an eminent environmentalist is murdered minutes before he is due to give a controversial lecture at Beaufort College. Featuring Geoffrey Palmer (*As Time Goes By*).

Masonic Mysteries

Morse is viciously harassed by an unknown tormentor and finds himself a suspect, after a lady friend is knifed to death during a rehearsal of *The Magic Flute*. Morse begins his own investigation to solve the murder and pieces together evidence showing that his boss, Chief Superintendent Strange, is being framed.

Driven to Distraction

A young, attractive police sergeant comes between Morse and Lewis when she is called in to assist in the investigation of the murder of two young women, much to the disgust of Morse. But as the murder inquiry proceeds, Morse and Lewis have a serious difference of opinion and Morse and the sergeant find themselves working closely together.

The Sins of the Fathers

The old-fashioned Radford Brewery is the subject of an unwelcome takeover bid by a huge multi-national, when the managing director is murdered. Morse becomes convinced that everyone involved is hiding something, and the Radford family is closing ranks against him. Featuring Lionel Jeffries (*Heaven on Earth*) and Lisa Harrow (*Kavanagh QC*).

Series 5 – 5 x 2 hours

Second Time Around

Morse investigates the murder of an ex-Deputy Police Commissioner and the theft of a single chapter of his memoirs. Morse's concern grows as it becomes apparent that the missing chapter relates to a murder 18 years earlier. Featuring Christopher Eccleston (*Our Friends in the North*).

Fat Chance

Morse becomes attracted to a cleric during the investigation into the death of her female colleague, a strong candidate to become the first female chaplain of St Saviour's College. Featuring Zoé Wanamaker (*Gormenghast*).

Who Killed Harry Field?

Harry Field, an artist not averse to forging the odd painting, is mysteriously killed, and when Morse takes over the investigation he is plunged into the arty world of Harry's Bohemian friends. Featuring Geraldine James (*Rebecca*, *Band of Gold*).

Greeks Bearing Gifts

The murder of a chef at Lewis' favourite Greek restaurant causes the Greek community of Oxford to close ranks. Morse turns to the cream of the University's Greek scholars to help solve the murder.

Promised Land

Morse and Lewis travel to Australia, where a former felon has been given a new life and identity for his testimony against a criminal. But it appears that the gangland boss is now aware of the felon's new circumstances.

Series 6 – 5 x 2 hours

Dead on Time

Morse investigates the apparent suicide of Henry Fallon who, suffering from a fatal disease, appears to have shot himself. But a simple suicide turns into a murder investigation with only one man seemingly capable of committing the crime. Featuring Joanna David (*Pride and Prejudice*) and David Haig (*Four Weddings and a Funeral*).

Happy Families

Sir John Balcombe is found brutally murdered at his home, Balcombe House, but his family show no signs of grief and are more concerned with the future of the family business. Featuring Alun Armstrong (*Oliver Twist*) and Martin Clunes (*Men Behaving Badly*).

Death of the Self

Chief Superintendent Strange sends Morse and Lewis to Italy to investigate the murder of an Englishwoman. The Italian verdict is accidental death, but at the inquest her husband questions the decision. Featuring Frances Barber (*Prick Up Your Ears*) and Michael Kitchen (*The Railway Children*, *The Guilty*).

Absolute Conviction

Lawrence Cryer, one of three men convicted of a large financial swindle, is found murdered in Farnleigh Prison. Morse and Lewis go behind bars to investigate, but find they have to tread carefully with the prison Governor. Starring Sean Bean (*Sharpe*, *Extremely Dangerous*) Jim Broadbent (*Little Voice*) and Richard Wilson (*One Foot in the Grave*).

Cherubim and Seraphim

One of Morse's most painful and personal cases. Whilst visiting his step-mother, Morse finds himself in the middle of a tragedy – his step-niece has committed suicide. Morse takes compassionate leave, but begins searching into his step-niece's past to find the reason for her death. Featuring Jason Isaacs (*The Patriot*, *Dangerous Lady*).

Series 7 – 3 x 2 hours

Deadly Slumber

Avril Steppings is permanently brain damaged following a minor operation that went tragically wrong. When the Doctor who runs the clinic is murdered, Morse has an immediate suspect – Avril's devoted father. Featuring Brian Cox (*Braveheart*).

The Day of the Devil

John Barrie, a serial rapist and Satanist, escapes from a mental hospital and demands that his therapist be turned over to him. A master of disguise, Barrie sets up an elaborate and deadly battle of wits with Morse. Featuring Keith Allen (*Trainspotting*, *Shallow Grave*).

Twilight of the Gods

Oxford is to be donated a new college building by businessman Andrew Baydon. While the celebrations are taking place, Morse and Lewis make enquiries into the murder of a journalist who was working on an article about Baydon. Featuring Sir John Gielgud (*Hamlet*, *Shine*), Robert Hardy (*Bramwell*) and Sheila Gish (*The House of Elliott*).

Two Hour Specials

The Daughters of Cain

Murder strikes at the heart of Oxford's academic world when a retired university fellow is cold-bloodedly stabbed to death. A complicated investigation uncovers undergraduate suicide, drugs in the colleges and the subsequent dismissal of a loyal college scout. Suspects abound, and so do their alibis. Then a ceremonial knife goes missing from a museum and a body is washed up on the banks of the River Cherwell... Featuring Tony Haygarth (*Our Friends in the North*, *Bramwell*).



The Way Through the Woods

The Lovers' Lane Killer is dead. The man accused of murdering five people has himself been killed in a prison fight before his trial. But is the case now closed? The body of a young woman on a day trip to Oxford was never found and Morse is convinced that her remains are in Wytham Woods. But will the woods at Wytham yield their secrets to the investigators? Featuring Malcolm Storry (*The Last of the Mohicans*) and Michelle Fairley (*Births, Marriages and Deaths*).



The Wench is Dead

Morse investigates a murder that takes him away from the familiar setting of twentieth century Oxford, to solving a canal murder in Oxford in 1859. Morse becomes convinced that the boatmen publicly hanged for the murder were victims of a gross miscarriage of justice and, nearly 140 years after their deaths on the gallows, sets out to establish the true facts of the case. Featuring Lisa Eichhorn (*Yanks*), Judy Loe (*The Chief*) and Clare Holman (*The Lakes*).

Death is Now My Neighbour

Murder strikes in an Oxfordshire village and exactly 24-hours later another murder takes place with the same gun. Investigations begin to unearth links between the two, but the murders also take Morse and Lewis into the hot-house atmosphere of the election for Master of Lonsdale College, over which the malicious retiring master presides. Featuring Richard Briers (*The Good Life*), Judy Loe (*The Chief*) and Maggie Steed (*Pie in the Sky*).



The Remorseful Day

Morse faces his final challenge when Yvonne Harrison is murdered and suspicions are focused on three men connected to the Harrison family. But when Morse is suddenly taken ill, it is left to Lewis to wrap up the case. Featuring Clare Holman (*The Lakes*) and Jesse Birdsall (*Bugs*).

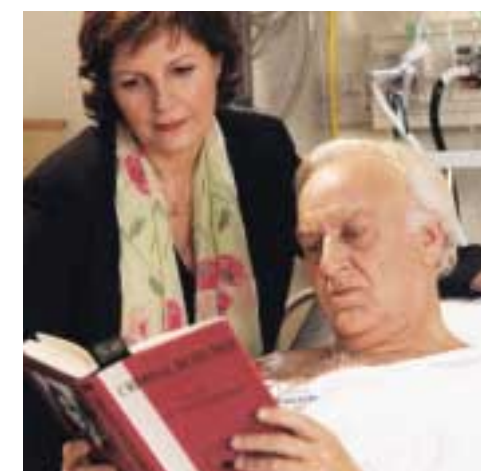
Documentaries

The Mystery of Morse – 1 x 1 hour

A behind-the-scenes look at one of the most popular series in television history, talking to the stars and the people behind the Morse phenomenon. Filmed on location in Oxford and featuring footage of a tourist bus that shows people the series' locations as well as interviews with Morse's celebrity fans.

The Last Morse – 1 x 1 hour

To celebrate the final episode of *Inspector Morse* (*The Remorseful Day*), *The Last Morse*, features the stars, creators and members of the distinguished supporting cast, telling the story of how an unlikely idea became one of the most acclaimed, loved and popular series in the UK and around the world. Featuring interviews with Morse's leading ladies, the most notorious criminals and amongst writers and directors, the Oscar-winning Anthony Minghella.



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