

Media Kit

Hunted

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Synopsis

The number one new show of 2022 is BACK!

The most talked about, real-life game of extreme hide and seek returns to 10 and 10 Play.

Featuring 10 diverse pairs of ordinary Australians who transform into real-life Fugitives and with limited funds and resources, they must think of clever and resourceful ways to survive and remain undetected whilst on the run.

Surrounded by surveillance, as they criss-cross all over the state of Victoria, the Fugitives are constantly looking over their shoulders, weighing up the risk and return of every move.

Released somewhere in Melbourne, the Fugitives must remain undetected for 21 days from the team of expert Hunters, made up of some of the world's best investigators formerly of the Australian Federal Police, Australian Defence Force and British Intelligence, alongside skilled cyber analysts and intel experts.

These dedicated Hunters must use their arsenal of tools to capture the Fugitives at large, they must be ruthless in their conclusions, masterful in their tactics and relentless in their captures.

With their reputations on the line, the Hunters will employ any means possible to track the Fugitives down. Based at **Hunted HQ** and with five ground hunting teams on the road, the Hunters will use cutting-edge technology to analyse various intelligence. They may also simulate the powers of surveillance available to the state such as CCTV, ANPR (automatic number plate recognition), telecommunication information and access to bank and phone records. They will be able to search Fugitives' homes, data-mine their electronic equipment, and question family, friends and associates.

The cunning Fugitives will again need to be at the top of their game in order to evade capture and remain undetected to reach a final Extraction Point and to win a share of the \$100,000 prize money.

Get ready to run.

Hunted The Hunters

Dr. David Craig

Chief

Hunted Chief David Craig is an exemplary Australian law enforcement veteran of significant experience. As a former Detective Superintendent and Australian Federal Police (AFP) Agent with decades of experience, David led several high-profile investigations, including the 2005 Bali bombings investigation that tracked down Southeast Asia's most wanted terrorist, Dr. Azhari.

During his career David also provided close personal protection for three Australian Prime Ministers and was deployed to a variety of countries and environments ranging from the jungles of East Timor (2001, United Nations) to the deserts of Afghanistan (2009-2010, NATO Forces).

In 2001, David was awarded a doctorate in law (SJD) for his international comparative analysis of the law and practise of federal undercover programs in Australia, USA, UK and the Netherlands. David has trained and worked with several international undercover programs including the FBI, Scotland Yard and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Additionally, David has authored several academic articles about undercover operations and a number of non-fiction books including *Lie Catcher: become a Human Lie Detector*, *Unlocking Secrets and Defeating Terror - Behind the hunt for the Bali bombers*. In July 2023, David will release his much anticipated fourth book, *Lie Hunter; How To Become a Human Lie Detector in Minutes*.

Since retiring from the AFP in 2013, David has run his own covert operations consultancy, working both in Australia and abroad.

As a recognised international covert operations specialist, there is no one better placed than Dr. David Craig to lead **Hunted**'s elite team of Hunters in their quest to apprehend all 20 Fugitives before the 21 days are up.



Hunted The Hunters

Ben Owen

Deputy, Intelligence

Former British Intelligence Officer, Ben Owen is an internationally recognised expert in surveillance and covert operations.

Returning to **Hunted** as Deputy, Intelligence, during his exemplary career Ben has gathered intelligence for some of the most high-profile manhunts in recent British history across a 10-year intelligence career. Before this, Ben served in the British military as a sniper, and was deployed across the globe, including the Gulf War II aged 19.

Moving into the private sphere, Ben's covert intelligence work has proven integral in keeping many lives safe.

A part of the *Hunted* UK team since the program's inception in 2015, Ben brings an unrivalled understanding of what drives the Fugitives and effective tactics to track them down, having served as both Deputy Chief and then Chief of the award-winning UK series, stepping down as Chief after its fifth series. Ben was also UK Chief for *Hunted's* third Celebrity series and was a Senior Analyst on the American version of the show in 2017.

Ben now works in cyber security and digital intelligence, advising organisations around the globe on cyber safety and necessary protections in an increasingly volatile digital world.

With many years' experience in high-pressure environments, Ben remains calm under fire and promises to bring his laser focus to the **Hunted** investigation.



Hunted The Hunters

Reece Dewar OAM

Deputy, Operations

As **Hunted**'s Deputy, Operations Reece Dewar OAM brings to the investigation a wealth of varied experience drawn from a highly decorated 30-year career.

During 23 years spent with the Australian Defence Force (ADF) in training and operational deployment, Reece served in the Special Operations Command for 12 of these years, as a Warrant Officer and a Commissioned Officer. He has been awarded the Chief of the Defence Force Commendation, the Chief of Army Commendation as well as the Order of Australia Medal (OAM) for services to the Special Operations Community.

Highly experienced in counter terrorism, offshore recovery operations, reconnaissance and surveillance operations, following his retirement from the military Reece served as an advisor to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Government in Special Operations, based in UAE for seven years.

He has been responsible for the development of National Level Defence and Law Enforcement Capabilities within Australia and the Middle East, and has significant experience in national security, operational management, and training.

Currently, Reece owns and operates a private security consultancy company, specialising in high risk environments.

Reece's significant tactical and operational skills will rightly be feared by the Fugitives as he expertly leads and deploys the various Ground Hunter teams, not stopping before each Fugitive is apprehended.



Hunted The Hunters

Graeme Simpfordorfer

Lead Investigator

Having worked on the front line of policing for 27 years, retired Victoria Police Detective Sergeant, Graeme Simpfordorfer brings his nuanced skillset to **Hunted** HQ, with experience garnered across policing in both metropolitan Melbourne and regional Northeast Victoria.

Used to dealing with highly stressful and dynamic situations across his career, Graeme's work has spanned day-to-day policing, all the way through from the arrest, investigation and successful prosecution of armed robbery and homicide suspects.

Calm and analytical by nature, Graeme has worked in the Homicide Squad, Drug Units, on Armed Crime Taskforces and with Sexual Offences and Child Abuse Units across a highly decorated and dedicated career. Graeme is the recipient of the National Emergency Medal (Black Saturday Bushfires 2009), National Medal (25 years of Policing), National Police Service Medal and the Victoria Police Ethical Service Medal.

Graeme now runs an investigative consultancy within the private sector and is a Councillor for the City of Wodonga.

On **Hunted**, Graeme will again lead his team of intel analysts and officers to an exacting standard to ensure that no stone is left unturned in pursuit of the Fugitives.



Hunted The Hunters

Jason Edelstein

Lead Cyber

Jason Edelstein brings over 25 years' commercial cyber security experience to the **Hunted** HQ team, where he takes up the role of Lead Cyber.

Jason has worked in customer facing cyber security consulting and internal risk management roles both locally and abroad for a range of leading global firms.

He returns to **Hunted** from leading cyber security firm CyberCX, where, as Executive Director Security Testing and Assurance, he leads a 175-strong team of ethical hackers. The largest team of its type in the Asia Pacific region, services are rendered to private and public sector clients in assessing and managing cyber risk, responding to incidents, and providing security training.

Jason has a strong technical pedigree as a practitioner to deliver penetration testing, red teaming, application security, security assessments, compliance, and risk-oriented outcomes.

Uniquely positioned to bring his niche cyber industry intelligence to **Hunted** HQ, Jason and his talented team of open-source analysts, ethical hackers and digital forensics specialists are essential as the hunt for the Fugitives' steers into the digital landscape.



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Dr Karla Lopez

Forensic Psychologist

Primed to reach inside the Fugitives' minds and to drill down into their motivations, strengths and weaknesses, Doctor of Forensic Psychology Karla Lopez, returns to the **Hunted** HQ team. With her forensic mindset and methodology, Karla will help the team anticipate the Fugitives' next moves in the race to track them down.

With more than 20 years' experience, Karla has held senior psychologist roles within correctional, community health, prison and policing settings, including working within the Department of Justice and Victoria Police.

With a steadfast curiosity and problem-solving mindset, Karla maintains an interest in clinical risk assessment and behavioural analysis. Across her career Karla has specialised in the provision of training on evidence-based practice and she is passionate about mentoring emerging leaders from diverse backgrounds.

Karla brings her unique perspective to the intelligence gathered at **Hunted** HQ and will share insights which will take the investigation into the minds of the Fugitives and in brand new directions.



Hunted The Hunters

Leigha Fraser

Snr Principle Analyst

Currently working within law enforcement, Leigha has 16 years' experience as an analyst across multiple law enforcement agencies within Australia.

Her previous front-line experience has been based inside Australia's High-Risk Crime Units, including the Covert Human Source Unit and the Drug Squad.

One of her roles within HQ is to create 'profiles' for the investigators. Using phone intercepts and target development, she singles down on the person of interest making sure her information is concrete before presenting a profile to the Chief. Her role to implement strategies excites her.

She loves the "cat and mouse chase" that is constantly involved in the 21-day hunt. No task is too difficult, with problem solving top of her list of can do's. If a problem arises and she doesn't know how to fix it, she learns how to work it out, always bringing her A-Game to the **Hunted** HQ.

Her razor-sharp focus is on results, Leigha will use her strategic and operational vision to help implement the capture of the Fugitives.



Carter Smith

Open- Source Intel

Carter Smith has a keen passion for Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT) across both social and technical domains. With a Bachelor of IT Networks and Cyber Security, Carter has experience in penetration testing, security assurance and social engineering.

Part of **Hunted's** Cyber team, Carter uses his skills in OSINT to trace the digital footprints of targets and provide valuable intelligence to affect the capture of the fugitives.

Having built upon the ethical hacking skills developed early in his career, Carter has honed a deep specialisation in Open-Source Intelligence, putting his considerable skills to use in helping the team hunt down the Fugitives using all means necessary.

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Jay Banerji

Digital Forensics

Part of the Cyber team as **Hunted**'s Digital Forensics specialist, Jay Banerji's work includes forensic acquisition and analysis of computer systems and electronic media, combing through data and evidence in pursuit of clues. Currently, he is the managing investigator in Digital Forensics and Incident Response at CyberCX.

Having earned Degrees in Computer Science and Information Technology (majoring in Cyber Security), Jay has elite skills in enterprise network security monitoring, threat hunting, and cyber incident response.

Having worked on various high-profile cyber-attack responses across his career, and with threats to cyber security ever-evolving, Jay knows that the cyber incident responders and network defenders need to be quick and adaptable to stay one step ahead.

On **Hunted**, Jay looks forward to ensuring that no matter how well they think they have covered their digital trail, there will be nowhere for the Fugitives to hide.

Vikki Grouios

Ethical Hacker

Vikki Grouios brings her sharply honed ethical hacking skillset to **Hunted** Cyber team, drawn from years of work and study in the rapidly evolving field of cyber security.

After earning a Bachelor of Information Communication Technology Network Design and Security, Vikki has since attained a number of ethical hacking industry-based certifications from Offensive Security, CREST, CISCO and SANS, and has more than eight years' experience working in the cyber security industry.

Following a five-year stint as an Ethical Hacker, Vikki is now a Senior Penetration Tester at CyberCX. Her work includes testing and uncovering security weaknesses for clients across applications, cloud, networks, systems and devices, providing comprehensive advice to help organisations to stay ahead of any threats in the cyber space.

On **Hunted**, Vikki's skills will be integral in making sense of the Fugitives' digital footprints, piecing together a picture with information that she hopes will lead to a capture.

Steph Jensen

Open-Source Intel

Ethical hacker, researcher, and CyberCX security consultant, Steph Jensen brings her significant experience as a “white hat” hacker to the Cyber team assembled at **Hunted** HQ.

With Degrees in Computer Software Engineering and Information Technology – Network Security, Steph’s previous experience as a digital forensics’ specialist for government and in threat intelligence for professional management services, has led to her current role as a Senior Security Consultant, Testing and Assurance.

Experienced in penetration testing to uncover system flaws and vulnerabilities to assist in fighting sophisticated cyber criminals, Steph educates companies and individuals on how best to protect themselves. She is responsible for building and implementing threat intelligence.

Steph as a guest speaker, delivers offensive security research and security training to national audiences.

Curious by nature, Steph is the perfect asset to return to the **Hunted** team as she prepares to delve deep into the Fugitives’ online worlds to unearth key evidence.

Hunted Ground Hunters

Team Alpha

Jason & Niki

Jason Spivey

Jason Spivey is an accomplished covert surveillance specialist who served for 10 years as a member of the Victorian and Queensland Police Forces, including three years as a tactical operations sniper, Entry Team Member and Water Operations Specialist within the Queensland Police Special Emergency Response Team (SERT).

After leaving the Police force, Jason performed high-risk security roles in Iraq, Papua New Guinea and Afghanistan before establishing a private investigation firm. The business expanded to add close protection operations and high-risk security and surveillance operations throughout the Asia Pacific Region and Afghanistan.

With a Masters' Degree in Terrorism and Security Studies among his qualifications, Jason now runs an elite operational training institute.

Jason returns for season two and now is partnered with new Ground Hunter, Niki Paterson and together, they will put their joint experience to the test, to ensure the Fugitives are tracked down.

Niki Paterson

Niki is a former Police Officer with the Northern Territory Police Force. She has key qualifications as a front-line worker within the Indigenous communities having completed four years as an Aboriginal Community Police Officer. Niki currently works as a Learning Support Assistant.

When graduating from the Northern Territory Police Academy, Niki was awarded as the best in Physical Training and Defensive Tactics. On the force, she developed fundamental skills in Investigations, Intelligence Gathering, Risk Analysis, Mitigation and Communications.

Niki is in peak physical form and is high achieving Rugby competitor who has played for the ACT Brumbies. She's currently the Captain of the Canberra Royals Rugby Union Team.

Niki joins Jason Spivey on Team Alpha for her first season of **Hunted** and she's keen to make capturing the Fugitives their sole focus.



Hunted Ground Hunters

Team Bravo

Marco & Luke

Marco O'Hehir

A serving Australian Defence Force member for 15 years, former Australian SAS Operator, Marco O'Hehir was deployed on operations as a Combat Assault Dog Handler and SAS Sniper. Having completed tours of duty to East Timor, Southern Iraq and multiple tours to Afghanistan.

Marco went on to become Police Tactical Working Dog Handler and today, Marco runs a bespoke K9 training and consulting company, providing his services worldwide. His own highly trained working dog, Choppa, is also on standby to make his debut as part of Team Bravo – deployed to pick up the Fugitives' scent.

Returning this season with fellow veteran Luke Andrews on Team Bravo, Marco looks forward to using his finely tuned investigative, surveillance and covert operations skills within this high-stakes game.

Luke Andrews

A 17-year Australian Military veteran, Luke Andrews spent over a decade as a Special Forces soldier within the Special Air Service Regiment (SAS), including multiple deployments to the Middle East.

Steering niche capability teams to achieve desired outcomes, Luke has leadership and teamwork skills that makes him a perfect Ground Hunter on **Hunted**.

With razor-sharp skills including counter terrorism, escape and evasion, visual tracking and a comprehensive understanding of mission planning, Luke will always try to think one step ahead of the Fugitives. Since leaving the Army, Luke has studied an MBA and now works for a veteran non-for-profit 'The Krait Foundation' which connects veterans leaving the military to employment opportunities. Luke runs a coaching and mentoring consultancy part time.

With a focussed approach to surveillance and reconnaissance, Luke is pumped to re-join his season one partner Marco O'Hehir to ensure no effort is spared on the trail of the Fugitives. This time they don't plan on being outrun.



Hunted Ground Hunters

Team Charlie

Howie & Kim

Howie Dawson

An 11-year veteran of the Australian Special Forces, Howard 'Howie' Dawson was deployed on numerous high-risk operations across his career, including to Afghanistan. With five years spent in the Special Air Service Regiment (SAS), Howie also served extensively in the Tactical Assault Group (West) domestic counter-terrorism teams.

Since retiring from the Army, Howie has worked in the private security sector on a range of government, commercial and private contracts in Australia and abroad, for both land-based and maritime security operations. He now runs a skills training consultancy.

This season, Howie is teamed with Kim Culpin on Team Charlie, the pair promise to bring together their knowledge and drive to successfully hunt down the Fugitives.

Kim Culpin

Former Victorian Police Senior Detective Kim Culpin has an impressive and distinguished career of more than 12 years within the Victoria Police Force. Kim was a Senior Detective and an undercover operative with the Victoria Police Drug Squad. She was also a member of the Directing staff on the Victoria Police Undercover course.

Skilled in negotiation techniques, interrogation, surveillance, communications and investigation, Kim went on to diversify her career, spending 20 years as a passionate and dedicated leader in the Community Services sector and receiving an Australia Day honour for Community Leadership.

Season 2 of **Hunted** sees Kim return and move over to Team Charlie, partnered with Howie for the first time. Kim stands ready to call on her combined skills to apply necessary pressure in pursuit of the Fugitives.



Team Delta

Michelle & Kellie

Michelle Corlett

Former Queensland Police Officer Michelle Corlett is a skilled former law-enforcement professional who served in the Mounted Police Unit, Intelligence Unit, was an Investigator within the Weapons Licensing Branch and a Police Firearms and Operational Skills & Tactics Trainer. She also undertook training as an Army Reservist.

After leaving the police, Michelle has continued to work as an Investigator across various government agencies as well as running her own business as a fitness trainer.

With Diplomas in Public Safety (Policing) and Government Investigations, Michelle's strengths lie in intelligence gathering and investigations. It's her expert communication skills that sees her tactically tailor her approach to achieve optimal results and mitigate risk.

Season two sees Michelle move to Team Delta, now partnered with former Police Officer, Kellie Andrews. It's clear that Michelle means business and will stop at nothing to see the Fugitives apprehended.

Kellie Andrews

Former Victorian Police Officer Kellie Andrews spent seven years in the force, working in the uniform branch across multiple stations. During her policing tenure, Kellie completed a considerable stint within the Specials Unit, a hand-picked group of members trained in covert and investigation skills across specially tasked operations, including drug labs and motor vehicle theft.

With additional experience in plain clothes response teams, Kellie worked in both regional and metropolitan Victoria, giving her a solid understanding of the landscape where the Fugitives may hide.

Returning to **Hunted** for her second season, this time partnering with Michelle Corlett to form Team Delta, Kellie is ready to put her considerable skill to use to ensure that no Fugitive makes it to the finish line.



Team Echo

Michelle & Kellie

Sean Kilsby

Joining the Australian Army at aged 20, Sean spent nine years in the Australian Military as an Infantry Soldier where he specialised in Reconnaissance. Sean served on four operations overseas, including his last as a Recon Patrol Commander. He retired in 2011 as an Infantry Training Team Leader.

Departing the Army, the next step was 11 years of service with Victoria Police. Sean served with both uniform and plain clothes units as well as within the Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT) a specialist unit that provides assistance to other police units to resolve high-risk incidents. Sean was involved in multiple high-risk arrest operations.

Sean has graduated with a Diploma of Public Safety, Certificate IV in Building Construction, Certificate IV in Fitness, Certificate III in Business, and a Certificate III in Security Operations.

Sean joins **Hunted** for the first time in Ground Hunter Team Echo, alongside Zak Rogers.

Zak Rogers

Zak is a former Military, non-commissioned officer who served six years in the Australian Army with the 1st Battalion Royal Australian Regiment. With qualifications in Reconnaissance as a Patrolman, Combat First Aid and Force Protection, Zak has deployed to Afghanistan with the 1st Battalion.

He brings to **Hunted** key experience and strong skills in close target surveillance, target acquisition, security operations, intelligence gathering and armed response and personal protection.

After leaving the Military, Zak opened CrossFit TMA with a mission to improve the lives of his members. Through his knowledge and skills in leadership, mentoring and human performance he and his team of coaches are making everyday individuals the fittest, healthiest, and happiest versions of themselves. Zak also holds mentoring and training sessions for local veterans and regularly hosts fundraising events for the veteran community in association with other not for profit organisations.

Joining former Police Officer Sean Kilsby in the fifth Ground Hunter team, Team Echo, this is Zak's first season of **Hunted**.



Hunted The Fugitives

Bayan, 43 & Eesha, 32

Subiaco, WA & Dianella, WA

Friends for 14 years, Bayan and Eesha are both confident and extremely motivated.

Bayan is forthright and a self-proclaimed 'genius' – he is a man who is cool, calm, and always collected. His current career is as an Engineer, but he's also been in the Army for seven years and has worked security events involving Queen Elizabeth II and Michael Jackson. It's his former army and security mindset that gives him an insight into the Hunter's tactics. He wants to test his ability against the best in the world. Eesha is candid, driven and is a self-employed business owner, working as a medium and spiritual and motivational coach.

With strong connections in the Middle Eastern network and the ability to utilise Bayan's intelligence knowledge from his previous army and security experience, they plan to recreate misinformation campaigns with decoys and fake clues being deployed along the way.

Although Eesha is not as physically strong as Bayan, she is willing to use disguises and would consider shaving her head to keep the Hunters off her scent. Along with Eesha's work in motivational coaching, she will make sure that they both have the mental and emotional resilience to beat the Hunters at their own game. She may look sweet and innocent, but she's a force to be reckoned with!

The desire to win is paramount and Bayan's aim for the prize money is to start a University fund for his two-year-old son at home, whilst Eesha's goal is to challenge herself in new ways, paying off her mortgage is top of the list and reinvesting in her business, accomplishing her quest for self-development.



Hunted The Fugitives

Ben, 26 & Callum, 27

South Morang, VIC

Best friends since Primary School, Ben and Callum have never been too far apart and are now flatmates, both also living with Callum's fiancé, Sarah (who they call the third wheel in their relationship)!

Ben is an IT specialist and Callum, a Vet Nurse but when not at work, or gaming they are practically joined at the hip. Self-confessed geeks, they are well equipped to not get sick of each other as spending all day, every day together will not phase these two inseparable buddies!

Using Ben's IT knowledge, his aim is to expose data loopholes the Hunters are searching on them and with Callum's blackbelt in Taekwondo, he will apply his mental and physical strength and skillset to the run.

As Melbourne locals, they plan to utilise their vast network of family and friends, including their online 'Dungeons & Dragons' support crew to assist them in travelling through rural Victoria with their plans to camp and stay off the grid wherever possible.

These two geeks, who spend a lot of time in the virtual world, think this is the ultimate game to play in real life. The two feel so excited about being on the run, it's like they have pulled off a heist and have gone on the run after a robbery... without committing the crime!



Hunted The Fugitives

Byron, 37 & Tanase, 36

Abbotsford, VIC & Truganina, VIC

These self-proclaimed 'city slickers', Byron and Tanase are siblings who moved to Melbourne together 15 years ago, from South Australia. They are brother and sister and have an exceptionally close bond.

Tanase is a Project Officer for the Victorian Government and as a single mum, Byron, who lives close by, is a father figure type to her eight-year-old son, Charlie. Whilst Tanase tends to be impulsive and outspoken at times, Byron is strategic, calculated and even tempered in most situations.

Byron is a Policy Officer for the Victorian Government who also has founded a charity *Every Minority*, a platform to share stories and support a diverse mix of voice, including LGBTIQ+ community and people of colour.

Whilst on the run, they will call on their support group of West African communities and Byron's queer allies. Though not having camped before, the pair plan to embrace nature and head to the bush, with the sole aim of confusing the Hunters from the get-go. They plan to camp and farm stay. Not only will this test the siblings' capabilities, pushing them outside their comfort zones, it will test their resilience and dedication to both doing this for Tanase's son – to show Charlie, to always say yes to opportunities and to push yourself.

As a gay man and a single mother, they want to be a positive representation of their minority communities and their culture, and both hope to make little Charlie proud!



Hunted The Fugitives

Cath, 54 & Kel, 59

Brighton East, VIC & Mornington Peninsula VIC

Cath and Kel have known each other for 30 years and are a joy-filled best friend duo with infectious and loveable personalities. They are each other's ying and yang, Cath is the talker, whereas Kel is more of an introvert, but they are both up for anything and everything, with a never say no attitude.

Both Cath and Kel are sexuality educators, teaching high school students. Both are dedicated mothers – Cath has four teenagers whilst Kel has one teen, all five still live at home.

Their strategy whilst on the run is not to run! As the oldest competitors, they know their physical limitations and will rely on their life experience and maximising their social smarts. They have a strong and affluent network around the state with access to yachts, holiday homes and cars. They plan on tackling this game run-in style; there will be no slumming it for these ladies, who both love a nice glass of Chardy at the end of a day, a habit they have no plans to retire whilst on the run!

Kel will take the lead and utilise her navigational skills to guide them through the state whilst Cath will be the social force to be reckoned with, connecting with strangers, and happily asking/begging for help.

Both ladies have a strong theatrical background and as theatre lovers and show ponies, they both plan to use numerous disguises to change their appearance and deploy various acting styles to get into 'character' along the way with the sole aim of misleading the Hunters.

These two best friends, who know everything about each other, look at this opportunity as their own action movie and the 'ultimate' adventure together. They plan on showing Australians that age and experience counts for something, they truly believe, you're never too old to try something new.



Hunted The Fugitives

Ed, 29 & Jimi, 31

Waratah West, NSW & Wyoming, NSW

These two cheeky mates are currently both unemployed and at a life career crossroads, they are ready for their final hurrah ahead of Jimi starting a new job and Ed moving overseas. Former colleagues in radio turned friends, at first meeting, they didn't get on and clashed over who was the most flamboyant!

Jimi is a former radio DJ, turned Marriage Celebrant and Master of Ceremonies and Ed is a former radio branding expert. Ed being the classic 'Libran', is extremely manipulative but uses his skill and charm for good not evil, whereas Jimi is determined, vivacious and a great storyteller. Both are extremely loveable and personable, and they can both disarm any situation with their wit, charm and smile. They plan to use their appeal and friendliness to rely on the kindness of strangers, to ask everyday Australians for help – with everything from directions, a place to stay and decoys!

Ed will take the lead when it comes to strategy – he likes to make well thought out, thorough decisions, so being on the run and having to pivot quickly may be his downfall, he might need to surrender control and let Jimi take the lead. Jimi will not hesitate to voice his opinion but he has the tendency to be a bit of a panic merchant, so finding the happy balance could be tricky. He is sometimes a man who can lead with emotion but is obsessed with the thought of winning and being there right at the end of the run.

Both friends are flamboyant, funny and full of energy, having spent much of their lives trying to stand out, will they struggle to blend in!?



Hunted The Fugitives

Glenn, 50 & Taylah, 24

Newstead, QLD & Hamilton, QLD

Glenn is a boxing coach and Taylah his student, but their relationship is much more. He is her mentor both professionally and personally. Between the two, they have a father daughter styled connection with deep respect and admiration for each other.

Taylah started boxing at age 12, winning her first Australian title as a junior at age 15. She's a five-time Australian champion, a Bronze Medallist at the 2018 Commonwealth Games and has participated at the 2019 World Championships. She won her first professional fight in 56 seconds, by a TKO (technical knockout) and is currently ranked the #1 Australian female boxer in the super fly weight division. She has a fight coming up, so both will continue to train, whilst on the run.

As a former soldier, in the Australian Army, Glenn has over 17 years military experience, having been deployed in combat zones all over the world. He is Taylah's boxing coach and a professional mentor. As an ex-soldier, Glenn has lived the Hunters' lifestyle, which may deem him one of their biggest threats.

On the run, Glenn will be heading up the strategic decision making and Taylah will use her people skills to ask strangers for help. The large age gap between them is not a negative in their eyes, it's a positive, as they can offer perspectives from two different generations and their peak fitness will assist in their 'never give up' attitude.

These strong competitors know what it feels like to win (and to lose) and this time around, these two 'Terminators with heart' are not scared to take on the Hunters, in fact they say bring it on!



Hunted The Fugitives

Holly, 23 & Josh, 25

Footscray, VIC

Holly and Josh are the ultimate competitive loved-up couple. They have endless energy and are always challenging each other over everything, so they are looking forward to the opportunity to work together on the run. The couple liken themselves to Katniss and Peeta from *The Hunger Games* where Josh is the 'brains' and Holly the 'heart' of the operation!

Josh is a paramedic and rifleman in the Australian Army Reserves who is well-versed in surveillance, survival techniques, escaping capture and how to be masters of camouflage - he plans to put all this training into action. As a paramedic, he is also trained to always be calm under pressure and plans to bring this skill to the hunt.

Holly is a dancer and an extrovert; she plans to put her people skills to the test. With a significant social footprint, this is a network she hopes to use to her advantage.

They will look to utilise disguises on the run - Holly has special effects make up skills which she will put to the test and Josh will use his experience in camouflage from the Army to blend into their surroundings.

Both adrenaline junkies, they see **Hunted** as an amazing challenge to do together which will most defiantly put their relationship to the test, in a positive way, bringing them closer together. If they win, they will put the prize money towards a house deposit, which will be life changing for this young couple who have struggled financially.



Hunted The Fugitives

Megan, 46 & Gracie, 22

Castle Hill, QLD & Bohle Plains, QLD

Megan and Gracie are sunshine and happiness in human form, the pair do not stop smiling. They are aunt and niece and spend their days working together.

Employed as a Beauty Therapist at her aunt's beauty salon, Gracie also studies Nursing. At work, she's often called Megan's 'mini me' as she has the same values, drive and sense of achievement as her aunty. Megan is like a second mother to Gracie and as a business director coach, but moreover, she's all-round power woman.

Both ladies are driven, energetic, street-smart, and outgoing, with strong people skills and the mentality to always say yes and then figure it out later! Despite their age difference, they are both adrenalin junkies who will bring total energy to the hunt.

Both have also been closely touched by cancer – Megan's fiancé Dale is currently in recovery from bowel cancer and both Gracie's parents (Megan's sister and brother-in-law) are currently battling the disease – her Mum, breast cancer and Dad, bone and gland cancer. Inspired by their precious loved one's brave health battles, the pair plan to dig deep and fight to make their family proud.

These Townsville socialites' tactic is to play smarter not harder, and their strong 'people skills' is what will set them apart. Their day jobs are to make people feel as comfortable as possible, a skill set which they know will benefit them on the run.

A strong and sassy duo, these vivacious and bubbly women have far more to offer beyond their beauty and they want to win! They also want to prove to their families that they can go without fake tan and make up for 21 days!



Hunted The Fugitives

Sonja, 41 & Elerrina, 38

Robina, QLD & Innes Park, QLD

Sonja and Elerrina met at a watermelon eating contest last year and have been best friends ever since! Complete opposites in every way, Sonja is a pocket rocket, resilient, strategic, fit and flirty versus Elerrina who is colourful, unathletic, kind and is the person you can count on to bring the fun to any situation.

Sonja is a medical sales rep and will be the decision maker on the hunt, while Elerrina who works in radio is more sporadic and a 'go with the flow' type. They both agree that they will bring humour to the run and will look to utilise disguises, including costumes and hair colour changes. They will both miss their home creature comforts, like make-up, but plan to still find ways to look good whilst on the run!

Sonja wants to test her limits and challenge herself mentally and physically - she's always had a secret dream of being an international spy - and for Elerrina, who has relied on friends and family her whole life, wants to push herself outside of her comfort zone and become more independent.

They are the first to admit that they may not be the strongest or the most strategic players, so they have a lot to prove - they consider themselves the 'underdogs'.



Hunted The Fugitives

Tharren, 53 & Jordan, 29

Narromine, NSW & Ringwood, VIC`

This father son team's bond is robust. Growing up, Jordan says his dad was his hero and when talking about his son's achievements, Tharren becomes emotional as he is extremely proud of him.

Tharren is a Pastor in a Juvenile Detention Centre for Boys and was previously a builder. Jordan works as a High School Teacher and is an ex-chef - a skill he plans on using on the run. The team plan on doing one good deed a day, with the thought that what they put out there into the universe, will come back to them in the form of help. Planning on utilising their Church community and their connections within it, they will also rely on the kindness of strangers.

A father of two young kids, with a third on the way, Jordan is always smiling, chatty and is upbeat all the time! Winning the money would be lifechanging for he and his wife: it would be put towards a home deposit they never thought possible. As a Pastor, Tharren plans on making use of regional Churches for support, even potentially taking refuge overnight within the safety of the Church grounds. Whilst on the run, Tharren knows he will obtain an important insight into the lives of the Juveniles he works with, being able to understand and appreciate their life experience that little bit more.

Jordan turns 30 on the run and his son turns two (which he will miss) and growing up, the family had a tradition of balloons being everywhere on all family birthday's. These days on the run will be no different as Tharren plans to make it super special for Jordan on these significant and potentially emotional days.

Both are salt of the earth Australians, this father and son dynamic will pull at your heart strings!

