

What's on TV this month?

In August streaming services will be showing some original and possible hit films along with returning hit television series.

Amazon Prime Video

Released on 7 August 2020, 'Boyz in the Wood' follows four city boys across the Scottish Highlands as they try to complete The Duke of Edinburgh Award unscathed. Having undertaken the expedition myself, this comedy film is of particular interest to me. With Eddie Izzard (Victoria & Abdul) in the cast, the film has already achieved a British Independent Film Award nomination before its release. Expect small budget creativity at its very best.

Netflix

After three series on Fox from 2016 to 2018, 'Lucifer' was cancelled but resurrected for a fourth series on Netflix last year while the first half of the fifth series will debut on 21 August 2020. Tom Ellis (Miranda) plays Lucifer, based on the DC Comics character, as well as his brother whom will be introduced in this series. A sixth and final series is also due to complete the story after the release of the second half of series five. With the last four series receiving a 100% approval rating from Rotten Tomatoes, expectations are high for the next instalment of this urban fantasy.

Disney+

Fantasy film 'The One and Only Ivan' will be released on 14 August 2020 with Bryan Cranston (All The Way) in the live-action leading role as the Big Top Mall owner of caged up Ivan the silverback gorilla, voiced by Sam Rockwell (Fosse/Verdon). Angelina Jolie (Gia), Danny DeVito (Taxi) and Helen Mirren (Catherine the Great) also feature in the voice

cast as an elephant, dog and poodle, respectively, who help to change life at the shopping mall.