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Summer Sparkles On TEN.

Sizzling Summer Nights With Dancing With The Stars, Chris & Julia's Sunday Night Takeaway, Changing Rooms And Much More.

The New Year's hangover has faded. The Christmas tree is back in its box. The last of the leftover Christmas ham is done and dusted. But that doesn't mean there won't be plenty more to celebrate and enjoy with the family at the start of the new year, as TEN delivers a feast of big entertainment for summer and the first quarter of 2019.

The tasty new line-up includes **Dancing With The Stars**, **Chris & Julia's Sunday Night Takeaway** and **Changing Rooms**. Is there more? Yes, of course there is. Catch jungle fever with the wild new season of **I'm A Celebrity...Get Me Out Of Here!** and feel the love with another round of **Bachelor In Paradise**.

And that is just the start. The line-up will also include all-new episodes of **The Project**, **The Living Room**, **Pointless**, **Hughesy We Have A Problem**, **Show Me The Movie!** and more.

The shiny new summer and first-quarter smorgasbord kicks off during the first half of January 2019 and runs until the king of cooking – **MasterChef Australia** – returns for a delicious 11th season.

Network Ten Chief Executive Officer, Paul Anderson, said: "We told you we were committed to investing in original local content with broad appeal and we weren't lying.

"Australians want local stories and local content. That's why we have launched more than a dozen new domestic shows this year across multiple genres, and the new content we are revealing today for 2019 will build on that momentum.

"Ten has always been different. Without summer sport, we now have an incredible line-up of new and returning entertainment favourites that are perfect for LIVE family viewing – as we promised!" he said.

Network Ten Chief Content Officer, Beverley McGarvey, said: "Today's announcement is a key part of our plan to give viewers and advertisers 50 weeks of first-run, locally-produced shows every year.

"Our summer and first-quarter content has something for the whole family and will offer a compelling alternative to what else is on offer.

“We are thrilled to introduce the new-look **Dancing With The Stars**. Hosting duties will be superbly handled by Amanda Keller and Grant Denyer and this show will certainly add a little sparkle to your summer evenings in a dazzling live entertainment event,” she said.

“**Changing Rooms** is the show that reinvented the renovation genre on television and we are going to take it to a new level with multiple room reveals in every single episode.

“And in more good news, Julia and Chris will return to the jungle for the new special event season of the LIVE family entertainment hit **I’m A Celebrity...Get Me Out Of Here!**,” Ms McGarvey said.

“When they have finished tormenting celebrities in Africa they will return to Australia as the fun continues with an Aussie spin on the UK smash hit family entertainment show – **Chris & Julia’s Sunday Night Takeaway** – which will be the perfect mix of laughs, chaos and unpredictable live fun.

“And Osher will be back with a second season of the TV and social hit **Bachelor In Paradise**, wrangling a new line-up of some of our most memorable Bachelor and Bachelorette stars as they seek a second or even a third chance to find their Mr or Ms Right.”

Network Ten Chief Sales Officer, Rod Prosser, said: “We know Aussies love entertainment television and this summer, we’re kicking off a schedule which will give advertisers more opportunities than ever to engage with our shows and audiences.

“There is a huge untapped opportunity for brands to integrate into premium entertainment shows over summer and we are filling this gap with the launch of **Chris & Julia’s Sunday Night Takeaway, Dancing With The Stars** and **Changing Rooms**, plus the new seasons of **I’m A Celebrity...Get Me Out Of Here!** and **Bachelor In Paradise**. We’re going big with these highly-integratable formats across all our platforms and can’t wait to share them with audiences.”

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