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## TORCHWOOD

**COMPLETE SERIES 1 ON DVD ON NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> 2007**

"A science-fiction thriller that is arguably even better than Who **Sunday Times**

"All the Davies touches we have come to love are present and correct" **Time Out**

Created by Russell T Davies, **Torchwood** is the slick, sexy, sci-fi thriller that has taken the nation by storm. First shown on BBC Three in October 2006 to enormous critical acclaim, the show has been a massive ratings hit, becoming the highest viewed multichannel show ever! Starring John Barrowman (*Doctor Who*) and Eve Myles, **Torchwood** follows the adventures of a team of investigators using alien technology to solve crimes: some terrestrial, some not. Featuring all 13 episodes plus brand new extras, including deleted scenes and out-takes, **The Complete Series 1 Box Set** will be available to buy on DVD from November 19th, priced £54.99.

Separate from the government, outside the police, beyond the United Nations, **Torchwood** sets its own rules. Led by the enigmatic Captain Jack Harkness (Barrowman), **Torchwood** is made up of brilliant, passionate individuals, each bringing something unique to the team. First is Gwen Cooper (Myles), who is recruited in the first episode. A police officer, Gwen's path crosses with **Torchwood** at a murder scene, sparking a burning curiosity within her to learn more about them. Thrown into an unfamiliar but exciting world, Gwen struggles to separate her role within Torchwood from her normal life outside with boyfriend Rhys (Kai Owen).

The rest of the team comprises of the young, brilliant but reckless medic Owen Harper (Burn Gorman), Toshika Sato (Naoko Mori), the technical brains behind Torchwood, Suzie Costello (Indira Varma), who has devoted her life to the strange alien artefacts they discover, and Ianto Jones (Gareth David Lloyd), who is far more important than his receptionist's role suggests.

From an underground base built on a rift in time and space in Cardiff, the team respond to any alien threat battling with a host of supernatural events from a mysterious cyberwoman to flesh-eating mysteries in the Brecon Beacons. The team even find themselves interrogating a handsome squadron leader from 1941 by the name of Captain Jack Harkness. The explosive finale sees the rift in time fully opened during desperate times for the Torchwood team, causing turmoil on unprecedented levels. Can Jack save the earth from destruction?

Produced by Richard Stokes, with Executive Producer Julie Gardner, **Torchwood's** lead writers are Russell T Davies (*Doctor Who*, *Queers as Folk*) and Chris Chibnall (*Life on Mars*).

### **Production Information**

**Release Date:** November 19<sup>th</sup> 2007  
**RRP:** £54.99 (seven discs)

**Cat. Number:** BBCDVD2253  
**Duration:** 13 x 45 mins approx

#### **Extras:**

- **14 Featurettes**
  - 5 Torchwood Out of this World Featurettes
  - 4 Torchwood: The Team and Their Troubles Featurettes
  - Welcome to Torchwood
  - Torchwood on the Scene
  - Torchwood: Sex, Violence, Blood & Gore
  - Torchwood: On The Road
  - Torchwood: On Time
- **The Captain's Log Video Diary**
- **Complete Series Out-takes**
- **Selected Episode Guides**
- **Deleted Scenes**
- **Torchwood Declassified: The Complete Series** - De-classifieds, to accompany each episode, including character profiles, behind the scenes, special effects features, stunts features, and storyline comments (over 3 hours)
- **13 Commentaries (1 per episode) with cast and crew**, including creator Russell T Davies, executive producer Julie Gardner, John Barrowman (Captain Jack Harkness), Eve Myles (Gwen Cooper) and many more

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