



With memorable and unsettling opening credits and exceptional performances and direction, *Armchair Thriller* became a massive hit on television in the late 1970s and early 1980s. With its trademark ghoulish, razor-sharp cliff hangers and iconic theme tune (by Roxy Music's Andy Mackay), this haunting anthology series was an immediate success, its eerie, disturbing and downright scary tales regularly attracting over 15 million viewers.

Each of its stories is a gripping exercise in compelling television, showing ordinary people plunged into extraordinary situations. For many, this series remains a high-watermark of dramatic television and its many frightening and spooky moments are remembered by viewers nearly thirty years after its original transmission.

HIGH TIDE

Peter Curtis (Ian McShane) has just been released from prison after serving four years for manslaughter. His victim's mysterious last words were "High Tide's at 9.52" - and now Peter wants to find out why.

Heading south in search of answers, he books into a hotel - and discovers the only other resident knows all about him. Then he picks up a hitch-hiker, Celia, who may be far from innocent.

Other people, it seems, are interested in those enigmatic last words and are prepared to kill to solve the mystery before Peter. As Peter conducts his search in the tidal estuaries of West England, he finds that there are far greater dangers than treacherous currents to contend with...

Starring Ian McShane, Wendy Morgan, Terence Rigby and John Bird

Written by P.M. Hubbard

Directed by Colin Bucksey




Original ITV Transmission 11 to 20 March 1980

Theme Music by ANDY MACKAY Incidental Music by RICHARD HARTLEY

Devised by ANDREW BROWN

Produced by ANDREW BROWN



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