

# off the fence.

## Customs (Series 2)

10 x 30'

EPISODIC BREAKDOWN

### 1. Episode 001

In Manchester, a radio message comes in from a pilot of an Easy jet flight. Two female passengers are suspected of smoking cannabis in the plane's rear toilet. UK Border officers suspect the girls may be carrying cocaine internally, it's a serious crime with potentially lethal consequences. And Liz searches a man hoping to enter the UK on a tourist VISA. The man confesses he is in the UK to meet his fiancée for the first time, who he met on the internet, and get married. It sounds like an immigration violation, and when Liz also finds some rather personal DVD's and cannabis, the man is sent back to America.

At Gatwick airport, a flight arrives from Port of Spain, and one bag in particular gets rookie drug dog Barney excited. Warren uncovers a false bottom in the suitcase, and inside is 3 kilos of pure cocaine worth £150,000, but the smuggler claims not to speak any English.

### 2. Episode 002

Rookie drug dog Barney gets his second cocaine seizure in three days. A woman arrives from Trinidad, and is caught with cocaine hidden in a PlayStation dancemat. Officers in Manchester are involved in an angry confrontation when two men fail to declare their excess cigarettes using the red phone in the Customs channels. In Manchester's Terminal 2, a passenger from Bangladesh is intercepted by the UK Border officers. When Gary finds flight manuals and pilot training information in his bags, the officers suspect he may be part of a terrorist plot.

### 3. Episode 003

In Gatwick, a flight has arrived from Montego Bay. During a routine passenger search, UK border officers find a package that looks like it could contain drugs. The woman is also wearing a bodysuit hiding nearly 3 kilos of cocaine. The passenger is arrested but goes into shock and has to be restrained by the officers. Officers stop a man travelling with a young boy to Ghana, and it turns out he isn't the father. With passengers starting to board the plane, a decision must be made imminently about whether the man and the child will be allowed to leave the country.

### 4. Episode 004

A couple caught with three kilos of cocaine in their hand luggage claim they have been set up by Customs. In Manchester, bags belonging to a celebrity chef give massive readings for cocaine.

The man eventually confesses that he's carrying cocaine in his pants, and Zubes gets his first ever class A arrest.

## **5. Episode 005**

In Gatwick officers stop two Lithuanians acting suspiciously. The men are x-rayed and inside their stomachs they are each carrying 50 packages of cocaine. An unlucky Mark has the dirty job of waiting for the evidence to emerge. In Manchester, a man is caught with 8 kilos of cannabis in his hand luggage. He is also burping, a sign he may have swallowed drugs as well.

## **6. Episode 006**

An airline worker is caught smuggling 10,000 cigarettes, and he admits he intended to sell them. A body search reveals he is also carrying drugs. In the freight terminal, sniffer dog Lucy identifies some suspicious smelling baseballs from Venezuela, and it turns out they are stuffed with cocaine. And the UK Border animal product team are on the lookout for illicit Ukrainian sausage.

## **7. Episode 007**

Two British passengers returning from Jamaica come under the suspicion of officer Liz. They say they've never touched drugs, but police checks reveal one of the suspects has been in prison for heroin dealing. In Dover, two Bulgarian drivers promise officers they have no cigarettes, but a quick search finds over 10,000 hidden in the lining of the truck's cab.

## **8. Episode 008**

A duty free fraudster is caught red-handed, borrowing boarding cards to buy more than his allowance of cigarettes. He is arrested, and misses his flight, and has some explaining to do to his wife who's waiting for him in Malta. Following drug hits from some bags, a family from Chile are stopped. Martin interrogates the son using charades, who confesses to using cocaine, but Martin agrees to keep the confession under wraps, to avoid upsetting his boy's parents.

## **9. Episode 009**

Officers in Manchester deal with a drunk man who's lost his passport, and a man on a student VISA who claims to be a studying, but has been training for a UK lorry driving license on the side. At Gatwick, Paul finds 3000 illegal cigarettes hidden in a pair of waders.

## **10. Episode 010**

A smuggler from St Lucia gives himself away when he acts suspiciously around the sniffer dog. The bag search finds a suspicious number of shoes for such a short trip, and when Gary pulls them apart, they are full of cocaine. In Manchester, one man sends sniffer dog Floyd's signals into a frenzy. Martin tracks the suspect through the airport and when he heads for the toilets, the officers pounce.

