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Explorer Ed Stafford back at Discovery

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Explorer Ed Stafford will attempt to survive in some of the world's most remote places in his latest extreme survival series for the Discovery Channel.

Endemol-owned indie Tigress Productions has been commissioned by Discovery Networks International to make the Marooned, in which Stafford is catapulted into locations including the Gran Sabana mountains of Venezuela and the dangerous Okavango Delta in Botswana with no means of shelter or food, and 10 days to beat in which to succeed against the odds.

The 5x 60-minute show is being series produced by Tigress Productions' Matt Brando and exec-produced by Tigress managing director Dick Colthurst and Helen Hawken at Discovery.

Marooned will air in the UK in May after debuting in Russia on 31 March. It will also air internationally across 224 countries including the US later in 2014.

The show is the former soldier's third series for the network, following Tigress's Naked and Marooned, in which he was dropped from a plane onto a desert island in the South Pacific Ocean without clothes or food.

Stafford also fronted Ginger Productions' Walking the Amazon, becoming the first man to travel the entire length of the South American river on foot.

Discovery vice-president of production for Western Europe Elizabeth McIntyre, who commissioned the series, said: "This series captures exhilarating survival and heart-stopping adventure at its absolute best. Inspiring to a fault - Ed is no stranger to a challenge but Marooned tests his experience and skills to the limits – resulting in a truly jaw-dropping watch."

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