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TOP DOG

8 x 45'



The TV series *Top Dog* is based on the series of books by best-selling Swedish author Jens Lapidus, who also wrote the novel *Easy Money*, which was turned into a film and achieved great international success.

“Jens Lapidus is unique in his writing, with his authenticity and his very own genre. Having the opportunity to turn his books into a TV series together with Filmlance has always felt like a great luxury.”

Josefine Tengblad, Head of Drama at C MORE and TV4

TOP DOG focuses primarily on the clash between Stockholm business attorney Emily Jansson and Södertälje ex-con Teddy Maksumic. Emily is an aspiring “Top Dog” who wants to make her way up in the firm. Teddy has recently become an Underdog and wants to get out of the mafia.

In order to achieve her goal, Emily has to find Philip, the son of the firm’s most important client, who has been kidnapped. In order to leave his old life, Teddy has to find Philip’s kidnapper. Their paths cross on their respective missions, which is the beginning of an unorthodox collaboration and a highly unusual friendship. Emily has the knowledge, resources and a behind-the-scenes perspective on the finest

of venues. He has the experience, muscles and access to serious criminal players. Together, they become an unstoppable duo.

But when the kidnapper is revealed and the victim is found, they find their problems have only begun. Because this kidnapping of a rich man’s son can be connected to a certain Mats Emanuelsson, the man that Teddy has spent ten years in prison for “killing.” Emily will soon realize that the firm she has sold her soul to doesn’t just stretch the law. It is guilty of grave legal violations. And Teddy will understand that the boss he trusted like his own father, didn’t just deprive him of his entire youth. He has also carried guilt for ten years, for the murder of a man who isn’t even dead.

FORMAT: 8 episodes x 45 minutes

GENRE: drama / thriller

DIRECTOR: Molly Hartleb, Alexis Almström

PRODUCER: Anna Wallmark, Olof Spaak, Teresa Alldén

SHOOTING LANGUAGE: Swedish

PRODUCTION YEAR: 2019

PRODUCTION COMPANY: A Filmlance International Production in coproduction with TV4/C MORE, ZDF and ZDF Enterprises GmbH

CAST:

Josefin Asplund (*Sanctuary, Conspiracy of Silence, Vikings, The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*)

Alexej Manvelov (*Chernobyl, Stockholm Requiem, The Dying Detective, Before we die, Arne Dahl, Beck*)

Joel Spira (*Stockholm Requiem, Conspiracy of Silence, Beck, Thicker than Water*)

Christian Hillborg (*Stockholm Requiem, The last Kingdom, Before we die, The Bridge*)