China’s Great Wall (2 x 52’ / HDTV)

You won’t find China’s Great Wall among the list of the Wonders of the World. Yet it is one of mankind’s most magnificent achievements, its story reaching back beyond historical times. Symbol of the turbulent relationship between China and its northern neighbours, influenced the destiny of the Middle Kingdom in every era. The construction of the Wall claimed countless human lives. It extends across peaks and valleys, torrential rivers and vast steppes.

China’s Forbidden City (2 x 52′ / HDTV)

An icon of the Chinese Empire and modern China’s greatest tourist attraction - Beijing’s Forbidden City. Seat of two great dynasties and 24 Emperors, of hundreds of thousands of eunuchs, concubines and officials. Once the centre of the world, the Forbidden City bore witness to the magnificent display of imperial power, grandiose triumphs and ultimately to humiliating demise. ZDF’s docudrama reveals the master-plan behind the biggest palace complex in the world and explains its fascinating political universe: How was this city built, how did it work? What went on behind its impenetrable walls? How did it slip out of control? Who was responsible for its decline? As the Beijing Olympics approach, the Forbidden City will become the centre of the world.

The Wehrmacht (5 x 52′)

Hitler’s army thundered through Europe from 1939 to 1945 and brought needless death and destruction to the continent. What was it like to serve in this army? To conduct one of the bloodiest wars in history? To occupy half of Europe and yet to suffer total defeat? This five-part portrait provides long-awaited answers and sheds light on the Wehrmacht’s complex bonds of loyalty, conscience and honor. The thought-provoking story of an army’s evolution from defense troops to military force to exterminating power.

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