

## More celebrities Hop on Board for Southeastern podcasts

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Train operator Southeastern have recruited more celebrities to help encourage people to take the train to explore Kent and East Sussex.

Actor Ben Bailey Smith, journalist and broadcaster Miranda Sawyer and TV presenter Rav Wilding are the latest celebs to join Gregg Wallace, Mary Beard and Ed Byrne in hosting one of Southeastern's Hop on

Board podcasts.

In Get Cultured, Miranda Sawyer discovers the creative hotspots of the Kent coast, taking the train to Margate to learn more about Turner Contemporary, before meeting Margate's own BritArt icon Tracey Emin. She then travels to Deal and visits independent gallery Don't Walk Walk to check out work by Noel Fielding and onto Folkestone to chat to the team behind Creative Folkestone.

Head of Marketing for Southeastern Nikki Causer said, *'There are so many fantastic art initiatives and amazing galleries to explore across Kent, we wanted our podcasts to give people a taste and encourage them to see more for themselves just by hopping on one of our trains.'*

In Get Spooked, TV presenter Rav Wilding takes a journey by train into some of Kent's unsolved mysteries. Meeting a UFO expert on the Isle of Sheppey to learn about flying saucer sightings, before getting spooked in the village of Pluckley, then onto Dover to discover the origins of the secret underground tunnels hidden beneath Dover Castle and hear more tales of the unexplained.

In Lights, Camera, Action, actor Ben Bailey Smith gets ready for another close-up as he makes his way through Kent's silver screen history. Visiting Sandwich to discover the county's influence on Ian Fleming and the James Bond books and films. Then hopping on a train to Chatham's Historic Dockyard, the location for TV show Call The Midwife and over 150 movies and TV shows. Finishing his day in Sevenoaks exploring beautiful Knole House, getting the lowdown on what it's like to film at a National Trust site.

Nikki adds: *"All of the places we hear about in our Hop on Board podcasts are easy to get to by Southeastern train. There is so much to see and do across Kent and East Sussex, fascinating stories to hear and unknown secrets to discover. Our celebrity hosts have done a fantastic job uncovering and sharing insights that we hope makes people want to visit the region and explore for themselves."*

The three new Hop on Board podcasts join, Tuck in with Gregg Wallace, Get lost with Ed Byrne and Prepare for battle with Mary Beard, and are available to listen through the usual podcast apps or by visiting [www.southeasternrailway.co.uk/hoponboard](http://www.southeasternrailway.co.uk/hoponboard)