

# Trouble in paradise

► New A&E series 'The Glades' hopes to put a new twist on the classic crime genre ► But taking cues from Columbo and Magnum doesn't hurt

A woman's half-eaten, headless corpse floating in a pond of alligators isn't a welcome sight first thing in the morning. But in "The Glades," A&E's new crime drama, it's just the beginning — literally the first scene of the pilot — and the first of a slew of nasty murders to hit the small town of Palm Glade, Florida.

Australian actor Matt Passmore makes his American debut as Jim Longworth, an abrasive but charming homicide detective transferred to this sleepy, muggy town just outside of the Everglades after a scandal forces him out of his Chicago position.

"As long as he gets what he wants, this guy doesn't care what anyone thinks of him," Passmore says.



► Matt Passmore stars as Jim Longworth in the new series crime series "The Glades."

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"Tongue-in-cheek wise, I almost think he's a combination of Columbo and Magnum PI, without the tweed jacket, the ferocious rotter and the 'man-rugs' he wore

on his chest."

As the pilot unfolds, Longworth pushes and cajoles his way to the bottom of the case — his first exposure of the dirty underbelly

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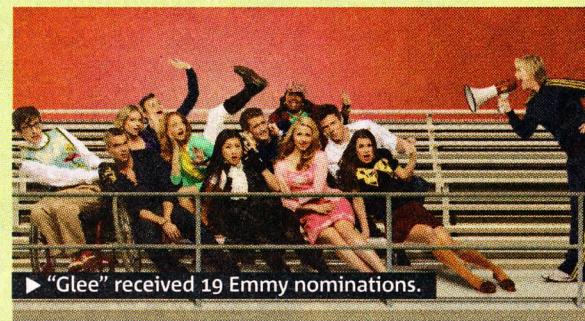
► "The Glades" premieres Sunday at 10 p.m. on A&E.

in an idyllic paradise — a product of restlessness that pervades the town as much as the humidity. Passmore says Longworth is fun to play as he digs into his new environment, but he's a bit selfish and easily bored.

"The good thing is, because our accents are so different, I get to leave him at work and bring Matt home," Passmore says. "It's a nice way to differentiate so I don't become a complete prick and lose all my friends."



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► "Glee" received 19 Emmy nominations.

## Fresh faces vie for Emmys

Fox's breakout hit "Glee" took center stage when the 2010 Emmy Awards nominations were announced Thursday. The freshman musical series earned 19 nominations, including Outstanding Comedy Series and acting nods for cast members Matthew Morrison, Lea Michele and Chris Colfer. HBO's World War II miniseries "The Pacific" earned the most nominations

overall with 24, while AMC's "Mad Men" led drama categories with 17 nods.

NBC's late-night battle from earlier this year got an interesting postscript; Conan O'Brien's brief stint as host of "The Tonight Show" earned bids including Outstanding Variety, Musical or Comedy Series. Jay Leno, who retired from "The Tonight Show" last year only to return in the spring, earned no nominations.

The 62nd Primetime Emmy Awards will be handed out Aug. 29.

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