



## Cult TV shows that could make it big

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With the sudden influx of quality television we've had in the last couple of years, it shouldn't be uncommon for a great show or two to completely fly under everyone's radar. The following are four fantastic shows with a sizeable cult following that haven't broken into the mainstream quite yet.

**Black Mirror:** Popularly referred to as this generation's "Twilight Zone", this is probably one of the best sci-fi shows out there. "Black Mirror" follows the anthology format, meaning that every episode is a self-contained story with different actors, directors and aesthetics. "The Entire History of You" shows a world where everything you see and do is recorded in memories that can be re-watched, deleted or even projected on a wall, while "White Christmas" deals with a device that lets you "block" a person in real life. Featuring great performances from actors like Jon Hamm, this is a show every sci-fi fan should watch. Skip the first episode though, it's a little repulsive.

**Utopia:** The plot focuses on a group of people who find a manuscript to a sequel of "The Utopia Experiments", a graphic novel that had predicted the worst disasters of the last century. This might sound campy (and it is a little), but it goes along perfectly with the comic-book vibe they were going for. The first thing you'll notice about "Utopia" is the beauty of it. Highly saturated environments with vibrant use of yellows, greens and blues juxtaposed with mindless ultraviolence really give "Utopia" a visual flare unlike any other show you've ever seen. Also, David Fincher is planning to produce and direct a remake of "Utopia". Last time he did this we got "House of Cards". So, yeah.

**Peaky Blinders:** This show is for the viewers who are still upset about "Boardwalk Empire" coming to an end last year. "Peaky Blinders" is a historical crime drama set in Birmingham, UK in the early 1900s, where World War I has left the population hungry, poor and without purpose. From here we follow Tommy Shelby, the ruthless and ambitious boss of a youth criminal gang as he gains more

power and influence. He is played by Cillian Murphy, who gives a career-defining performance. The whole cast is stellar and the icing on the cake is when Tom Hardy shows up in the second season as the notorious gangster Alfie Solomons. While it has won a BAFTA, a lot of people haven't heard of it. I blame the name. Who thought "Peaky Blinders" was a good idea?

**The Strain:** It's been a long time since we had a decent horror show on TV. So when Guillermo del Toro announced that his vampire thriller book trilogy would be getting its own series, it was something to get excited about. Fans may know del Toro from blockbusters like "Pacific Rim", but where his true talent lies is in his smaller horror movies like "Pan's Labyrinth" and "The Devil's Backbone". The story begins when a plane lands on JFK airport with doors sealed and bodies inside. Soon the bodies disappear from the morgue and pandemonium strikes. Guillermo del Toro's vampires aren't the sparkly kind and he makes sure that every episode bleeds his signature horror aesthetics. A must-watch for horror fans.

# WHATEVER YOU WANT ON YOUR CAKE

## Online Custom Cakeries in Dhaka

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In an attempt to mitigate the banality of typical cakes, custom cakeries are mushrooming in Dhaka left and right. Some of them have full-fledged shops whereas some operate via Facebook pages/groups. Today we are going to introduce you to two custom cakeries of the latter variant.

### THE BAKING PIT:

The inception of The Baking Pit occurred when 22-year old Adeeba Ibnat decided to professionalise her passion for baking. She went into business a little over a year ago through a closed Facebook group.

This baker likes to work from the comfort of her home, but she is extremely professional and takes utmost care to ensure that each and every order is a top-notch production. Her cakes come in any combination of over 10 flavours, 8 fillings, 5 frostings and almost any custom design you can possibly provide her with. The Baking Pit also specialises in cupcakes, which in my opinion are absolutely delectable. The preferred delivery point for this cakery is Mirpur DOHS, but for its customers' convenience, Ibnat has arrangements to deliver orders to anywhere in Dhaka.

The Baking Pit currently serves only the people in its Facebook group and

has not opted for mass publicity yet. But with the recent upsurge in demand for custom cakes, Ibnat sees herself pursuing this hobby as a career and turning it into a full-scale business in the future.

Please visit:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/thebakingpit/> for more information.

You can also follow Adeeba Ibnat on Instagram @adeebaibnat to see her work.

### CAKESAKE:

Operating via a Facebook page, in a similar fashion to The Baking Pit, CakeSake is a collaborative venture by two sisters who decided to combine their creativity with their knack for baking to found this online cakery less than a year ago.

CakeSake is able to deliver custom orders on even two days' notice, depending on the complicity of the design. They offer unique flavours like dark chocolate with Nutella mousse and Ferrero Rocher ganache besides the more mainstream flavours. The best part about CakeSake, however, is their attention to details in the design. I provided them with an extremely low resolution image of the icon of the massively popular video game, League of Legends, and the photo – accompanying this article – shows what they



came up with. Needless to say, their meticulous precision in preserving the integrity of the original logo was a laudable feat on their part.

The amount of work they put into maintaining proper rapport with their customers to ensure such a high level of accuracy is also noteworthy. I definitely felt that my money was in good hands throughout the whole process.

Cake Sake's preferred delivery point is Bailey Road, but they can deliver orders to other locations in Dhaka as well.

Please visit:  
<https://www.facebook.com/cakesakeBD> for further details on CakeSake.

If you love cakes as much as we do, make sure to give these cakeries a try. They're bound to satisfy your palate and give your taste buds a tingle.