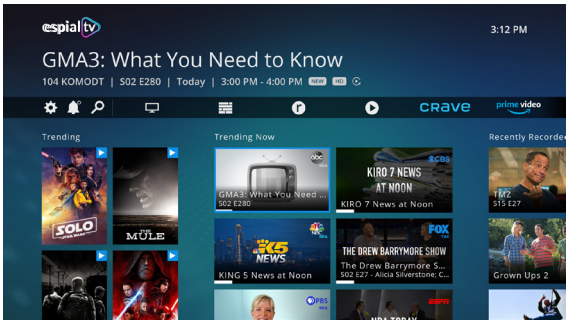


Advanced Features Guide for Android TV

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Get to know your new EspialTV app.



When you open the EspialTV app on your Android TV device, the first screen you'll see is the Home screen. From here you will access everything including the channel Guide, Search, Recordings and more. You may also see the option to navigate to other streaming apps.

The top-level menu options appear in a horizontal band; use your remote to navigate right or left through the options. You can return to this screen by using the back button on your remote (you may need to press it multiple times).

Find Something to Watch

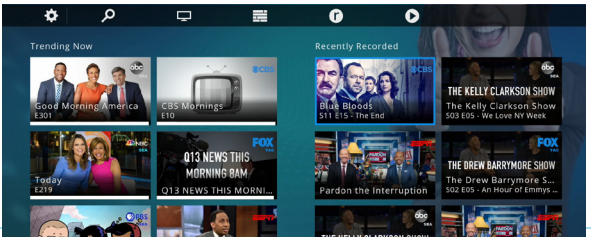
There several options for finding programs to watch on EspialTV.

Watch Live TV

You have a couple of options for watching Live TV with the EspialTV app. You can select a program from the Home screen, from the Guide, or jump right in by selecting Live TV from the menu bar.

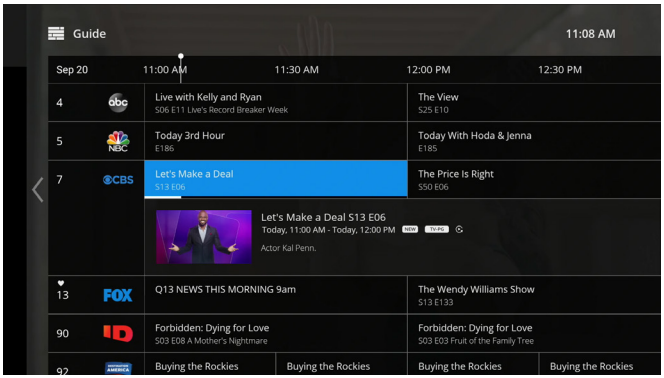
Watch a Program from the Home Screen

From the Home screen, scroll to the right to view programs that are Trending Now or your most recent recordings. Then select the program you want to watch to get started. (Note the progress bar beneath the program poster for trending content.)

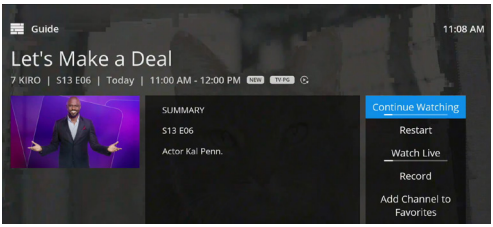


Watch a Program from the Guide

To access the Guide, on the Home screen, select the **Guide** icon. Navigating to a program title will display a description of that program. If a program has the **Restart** icon on it, you can watch it even though it has already aired.



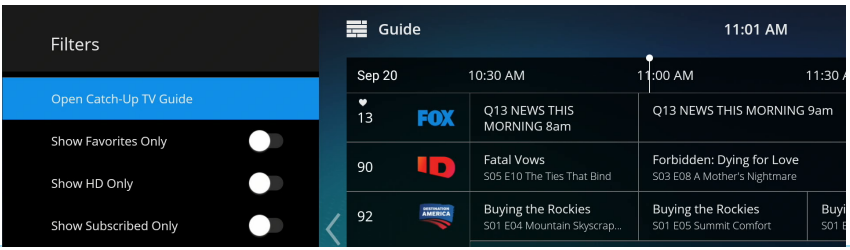
When you find a program you want to watch, select on the program to see the details screen.



To play the program from the Details screen, select **Play or Continue Watching**. You may also select **Restart** (when available) to watch the program from the beginning, **Record** the program (when available) or **Add Channel to Favorites**. (When viewing the Guide, you can filter by favorite channel.)

Watch a Previously-Aired Program

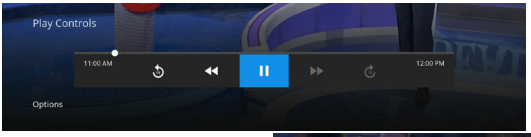
Use the Guide to navigate backwards to a list of filters, including the Catch-Up TV Guide. When you select this guide you'll see a list of programs that have already aired but are still available for viewing. To watch, select the show and then click Play from the Details screen. To return to the main Guide, scroll right until you see the Filters menu again and select Open Live TV Guide.

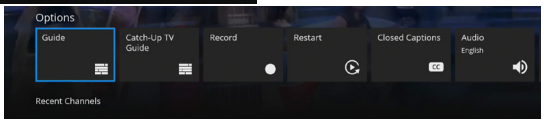


When watching Live TV, you have a few additional options.

Pause / Fast Forward / Rewind

You can also access Play Controls and other Options by pressing the left/right buttons on your remote. Once the Play Controls are open, press down to see the options menu.





The pause function has a 2-hour limit; after the program is paused for 2 hours, it will automatically resume playing. Pause TV is available on all programs, whether you are watching live or have restarted a program.

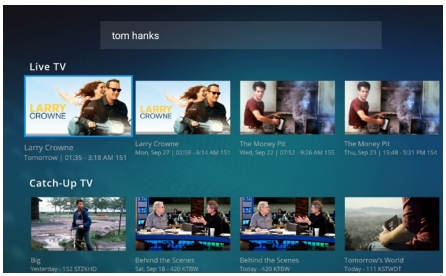
Restart

Sometimes programs are available to Restart, meaning they are currently in progress, but you can watch them from the beginning.

If this option is available, you'll see **Restart** icon in the Guide or in the program details. Simply select the program and then **Restart** to watch the program from the beginning.

Search for Programs

From the Home screen, select **Search** to look for something specific to watch. You can search by program title or by actor name. When you search for a program you'll see all available viewing options including Live TV, Catch-Up TV, On Demand, and My Recordings. Select the program you want to watch to view that program.

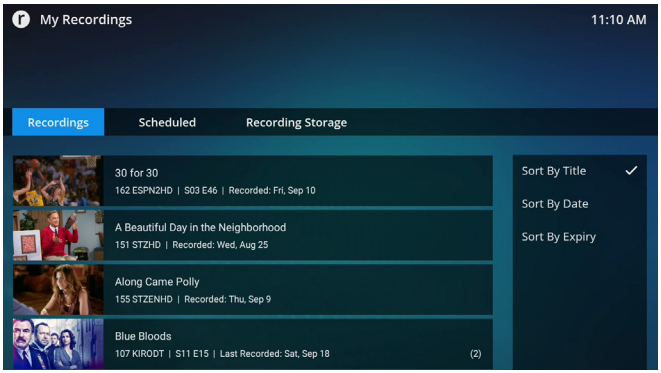


My Recordings

My Recordings allows you to record your favorite programs so you can watch them at your convenience.

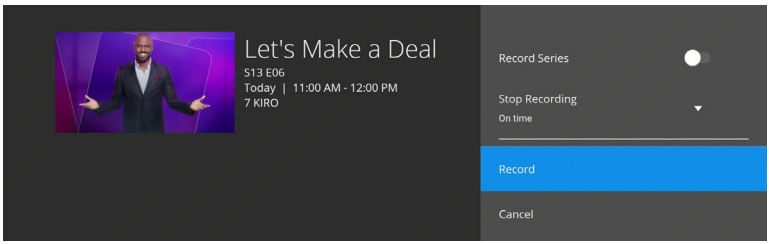
From the Home screen, select **My Recordings** to see:

- Recordings - Your library of programs that have been recorded and their expiration.
- Scheduled - Any upcoming recordings (including single episodes and series). Select this option to modify settings for your recordings.
- Recording Storage - How much recording capacity is available.



To Record a Program:

- Navigate to the program using the **Trending Content**, **Guide**, **Live TV** or **Search** function.
- Select the program and see the **Details** screen.
- Select Record - you will be presented with a few options including:
  - If the program is a series, you'll see the option to Record Series; when you toggle on this option you'll be able to select New Episodes Only.
  - The settings default to stop recording on time, but you can modify them to extend the recording time (this can be handy for recording live events).
- When you're satisfied with your settings, select **Record** to save the settings. You'll be able to modify the settings from the My Recordings screen under **Scheduled**.



Whole-Home Experience

The functions and benefits of **My Recordings** are available on any device with the EspialTV app, allowing you to do the following:

Stop and Resume

Pause or stop any recorded program - then resume on any TV or device.

Simultaneously Record

You can simultaneously record multiple programs at once, from any device.

Set and Manage Recording Options

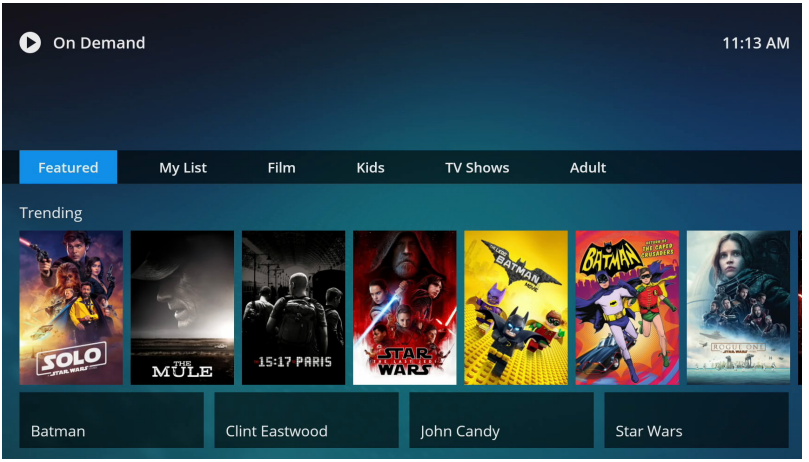
You can record programs and customize their options from any TV or device.

Playback to any device

Any programs or series recorded to **My Recordings** can be watched on any TV or device.

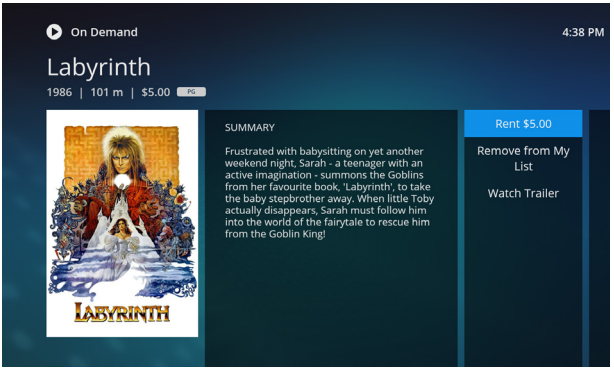
On Demand

Video On Demand gives you a vast library of movies and TV shows to choose from and an easy way to search through it all.
From the Home screen, navigate to On Demand to see your viewing options.



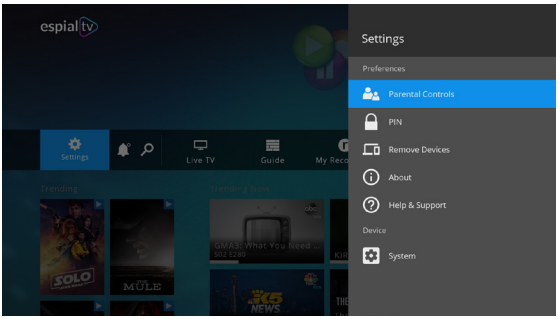
Select the program you want to watch to get the following options:

- » Play – Starts the Program (when the program is included in your subscription)
- » Rent – Allows you to rent the program instantly. You will see a confirmation screen and may be prompted to enter your PIN if your settings require a PIN for rentals (see **PIN** in the **Settings** section below).
- » Add to My List – Adds the program to "My List" so you can easily find it later.
- » Watch Trailer – Plays the trailer for the selected movie when available.



If you begin watching a movie on one device, you can watch that movie in another room in the exact place you left off by navigating to the program from **On Demand** and choosing resume.

Settings



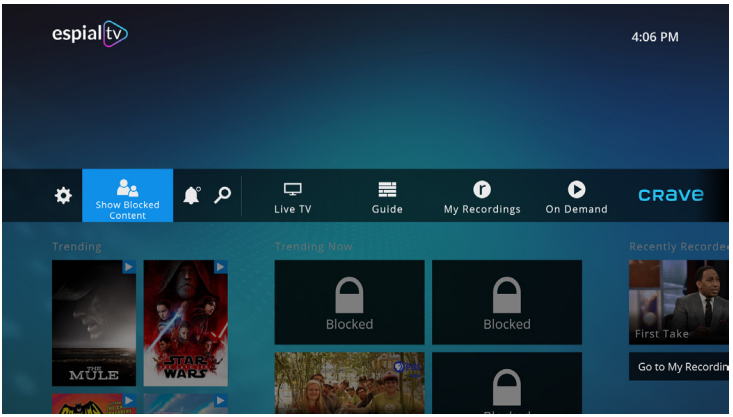
Parental Controls

The first time you select Parental Controls you will be prompted to create a 4-digit PIN. You'll use this PIN whenever settings are modified going forward. The same PIN is used on all devices. The same PIN is used on all devices where Espial TV is installed.

Parental controls gives you options to block programming by certain ratings. When you lock a rating, all ratings for more restrictive content are also locked. For example, if you lock the TVPG rating, then the TV14 and TVMA ratings are also locked automatically, because these ratings are for more mature audiences than TVPG. When unlocking, the reverse is also true.

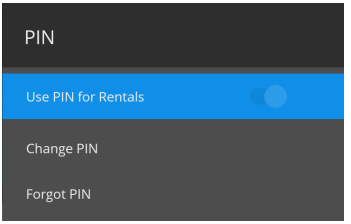
How Parental Controls work:
Once Parental Controls are set, the next time you go to the Guide to select a program, programs whose ratings are blocked will simply say “Blocked” in the guide. To view all blocked programs, select on any program that says “Blocked” and you will be prompted to enter your PIN. Once you unblock content it will stay that way for 4 hours.

You can also override Parental Controls settings from the Home screen by selecting **Show Blocked Content**. The override lasts for 4 hours.



PIN

Use this option to set or change your 4-digit PIN. You can also manage the requirement of using a PIN for VOD rentals.



Remove Devices

Here you can manage the devices in your home that are connected to your EspialTV account.