

HGTV Canada builds buzz with Timber Kings



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Who knew there was a high stakes business world associated with building log homes?

HGTV, apparently, as the pubcaster premieres *Timber Kings* on Jan. 5 with dramatic episodes constructed around master log smiths who face incredible deadlines and intense pressure while building a massive, multi-million dollar log homes in Williams Lake, B.C.

The wrench? Each custom made Pioneer Log Home is assembled, then disassembled as the pieces are shipped to

global destinations around the world — and then reassembled again at their new location.

That's no piece of cake: the builders maneuver 2000 lb. logs in extreme weather conditions. For the first season of *Timber Kings*, produced by Paperny Entertainment, the crews deliver homes to Germany, Scotland and England, as well as more local North American climates.

“We think viewers will agree that the Timber Kings are more than builders and highly-skilled craftsmen,” said Audrey Mehler, Paperny's EVP, in a statement. “They are also true artists...with egos and competitive drives, of course.”

The first episode focuses on the construction of a 4,400 square foot lakefront cottage in Northern Ontario during severe winter weather, with materials transported over three impossibly narrow, icy bridges before the workmanship can begin.

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