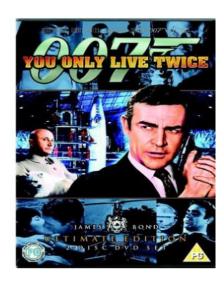
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5. You Only Live Twice

Information

Release Title: Sean Connery 007 13th June 1967 (United Kingdom)

From: From You Only Live Twice - Ian Fleming Novel

Origin: United Kingdom, United States Release date: United States – 13st June 1967

Genres: Action, Adventure, Thriller Disc Nos. – 5-6

Certification: A
Duration: 1h 57m

Languages: English, Japanese, Russian.

Filming locations: Mount Shinmu-dake, Kirishima-Yaku National Park, Kagoshima, Japan

(exteriors: Blofeld's Volcano Lair) Sound mix: 4-Track Stereo

Colour: PAL Aspect Ratio: 2.39:1

Storyline

American NASA spacecraft Jupiter 16 is hijacked from orbit by an unidentified spaceship. The United States suspects it to be the work of the Soviets, but the British suspect Japanese involvement since the spacecraft landed in the Sea of Japan. To investigate, MI6 operative James Bond is sent to Tokyo, after faking his own death in Hong Kong and being buried at sea from HMS Tenby.

Bond attends a sumo match where he is approached by Japanese secret service

agent Aki, who takes him to meet local MI6 operative Dikko Henderson. Henderson claims to have critical evidence about the rogue craft, but is killed by a hitman before he can elaborate. Bond chases and kills the assailant, taking the assailant's clothing as a disguise, and is driven in the getaway car to Osato Chemicals. Once there, Bond subdues the driver and breaks into the office safe of the company's president, Mr. Osato. After obtaining secret documents, Bond is pursued by armed security, but is rescued by Aki, who flees to a secluded subway station. Bond chases her, but falls down a trap door leading to the office of the head of the Japanese secret service, Tiger Tanaka. The stolen documents are examined, and found to include a photograph of the cargo ship Ning-Po, with a microdot message saying the tourist who took the photo was killed as a security precaution.



Bond goes back to Osato Chemicals to meet Osato, masquerading as a potential buyer. Osato humours Bond, but after their meeting orders his secretary, Helga Brandt, to have him killed; both are SPECTRE agents. Outside the building, assassins open fire on Bond before Aki rescues him again. Bond and Aki drive to Kobe, where the Ning-Po is docked. They investigate the company's dock facilities, and discover that the ship was delivering elements for rocket fuel. They are discovered, but Bond eludes the henchmen until Aki gets away; however, Bond is captured. He wakes, tied up in Brandt's cabin on the Ning-Po. Brandt interrogates Bond, before seducing him. Brandt flies Bond to Tokyo the next day, but en route, she sets off a flare in the plane, seals Bond in his seat and bails out. Bond lands the plane and flees before it explodes.

After finding out where the Ning-Po unloaded, Bond flies over the area in a heavily armed autogyro created by Q. Near a volcano, Bond is attacked by and defeats four helicopters, confirming his suspicions of a nearby base. A Soviet spacecraft is captured in orbit by another unidentified craft, heightening tensions with the United States. The mysterious spaceship lands in an extensive base hidden inside the volcano, operated by Ernst Stavro Blofeld of SPECTRE, who has been hired by a great power to start a Soviet-American war. Blofeld summons Osato and Brandt to his quarters for not having killed Bond; Osato blames Brandt, and as she leaves, Blofeld drops her to her death into a pool filled with piranhas. Blofeld then orders Osato to kill Bond.

In Kyoto, Bond prepares to conduct a closer investigation of the island by training with Tanaka's ninjas and donning a Japanese disguise, which will include a staged marriage to an Ama diving girl. Aki is inadvertently poisoned to death by a SPECTRE assassin targeting Bond and he is then introduced to Tanaka's student, Kissy Suzuki who will perform the role of his wife. Acting on Kissy's lead, the pair reconnoitre a cave boobytrapped with phosgene gas, and the volcano above it. Establishing that the mouth of the volcano is a disguised hatch to the secret rocket base, Bond slips in, while Kissy goes to alert Tanaka. Bond locates and frees the captured American and Soviet astronauts and, with their help, steals a space suit to infiltrate the SPECTRE spacecraft, "Bird One". However, Blofeld spots Bond, and he is detained while Bird One is launched. Bond is taken into the control room where he meets Blofeld, who kills Osato to demonstrate the price of failure.

Bird One closes in on an American space capsule, and U.S. forces prepare to launch a nuclear attack on the USSR. Meanwhile, Tanaka's ninjas approach the base's entrance, but are detected and fired upon. Bond distracts Blofeld and lets in the ninjas. During the battle, Tanaka saves Bond by disarming Blofeld with his shuriken. Bond fights his way to the control room, tosses Blofeld's bodyguard Hans into the piranha pool, and activates Bird One's self-destruct before it reaches the American craft. As the Americans stand down their forces, Blofeld activates the base's self-destruct system and escapes. Bond, Kissy, Tanaka, and the surviving ninjas leave before the eruption destroys the base, and are picked up by the Japanese Maritime Forces and the British Secret Service.

Cast:

Sean Connery as James Bond, an MI6 agent

Akiko Wakabayashi as Aki, an agent with the Japanese SIS who assists Bond

Mie Hama as Kissy Suzuki, an ama girl who marries Bond as an undercover ploy; she is never referred to by name

Nikki van der Zyl (uncredited) as the voice of Kissy Suzuki

Tetsurō Tamba as Tiger Tanaka, head of Japanese secret service (voice dubbed by Robert Rietty).

Teru Shimada as Mr. Osato, a Japanese industrialist secretly affiliated to SPECTRE

Karin Dor as Helga Brandt/No. 11, a SPECTRE assassin

Francesca Tu (uncredited) as Mr. Osato's secretary

Donald Pleasence as Ernst Stavro Blofeld, the megalomaniacal head of the terrorist syndicate known as SPECTRE

Bernard Lee as M, the head of MI6

Lois Maxwell as Miss Moneypenny, M's secretary

Desmond Llewelyn as Q, head of MI6 technical department

Charles Gray as Dikko Henderson, British contact living in Japan. Gray would later play Blofeld in Diamonds Are Forever, opposite Sean Connery.

Tsai Chin as Chinese Girl (Hong Kong), Ling, undercover MI6 agent

Peter Fanene Maivia as Car Driver, one of Osato's henchmen, who fights Bond in Osato's office

Burt Kwouk as Spectre Number 3, one of Blofeld's henchmen. Kwouk had previously played the Chinese agent Mr. Ling in Goldfinger.

Michael Chow as Spectre Number 4, one of Blofeld's henchmen and Mr Osato's secretary

Ronald Rich as Blofeld's bodyguard, Hans

David Toguri as Assassin (Bedroom), one of Osato's henchmen, who kills Aki

John Stone as Submarine Captain

Norman Jones as Astronaut – 1st American Spacecraft

Paul Carson as Astronaut – 1st American Spacecraft

Laurence Herder as Cosmonaut – Soviet Spacecraft

Richard Graydon as Cosmonaut – Soviet Spacecraft

Bill Mitchell as Astronaut – 2nd American Spacecraft

George Roubicek as Astronaut – 2nd American Spacecraft

Alexander Knox as the US President

Ed Bishop (uncredited) as NASA Hawaii technician, who warns 1st American spacecraft of approaching unidentified craft. Bishop would later play the also uncredited role of Klaus Hergersheimer in Diamonds Are Forever.

Frazer Hines (uncredited) as Spectre Number 4 (Mr. Osato's Secretary) (voice)

Shane Rimmer (uncredited) as NASA Hawaii technician. This was Rimmer's first contribution to the Bond franchise, as he would later appear as Tom in Diamonds Are Forever (uncredited), Live and Let Die (albeit as a voice and uncredited) and as Commander Carter in The Spy Who Loved Me.

Richard Marner (uncredited) as Soviet Controller

Anthony Ainley (uncredited) as Hong Kong Policeman

Parents Guide

Certification

Australia:A (original rating) Australia:PG (1984, re-rating) Brazil:14 Canada:PG (Manitoba/Ontario) Canada:A (Nova Scotia) Canada:G (Quebec) Czechia:12 (original rating) Denmark:15 (DVD and Blu-ray rating) Finland:K-16/13 Finland:K-16 (DVD and Blu-ray rating) Finland:K-16 (original rating) France:Tous publics Greece:K-8 Iceland:12 India:UA (re-rating) India:A (1969, original rating) Ireland:PG Ireland:G (1967) Italy:BA Japan:G (2015) Mexico:A Netherlands:12 Netherlands:AL (2000, DVD rating) Norway:15 (DVD and Blu-ray rating) Norway:9 (recommended rating) Norway:16 (1967, cinema rating) Philippines:PG Poland:12 (self-applied) Portugal:M/12 Singapore:PG (self-applied) South Korea:15 Spain:18 (ICAA) Sweden:15 Turkey:7A (self-applied) United Kingdom:PG United Kingdom:A (original rating) United Kingdom:PG (tv rating) United Kingdom:PG (2001, video rating) United States:TV-PG United States:Approved (original rating, No. 21499) United States:PG (1994, certificate #21499, re-rating) United States:GP (1970, certificate #21499, re-rating) West Germany:16 West Germany:12 (re-rating)

Sex & Nudity -Mild Violence & Gore - Moderate Profanity - None Alcohol, Drugs & Smoking - Mild Frightening & Intense Scenes - Mild

