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## Title: The Hobbit - The Battle of the Five Armies



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# Information

Release Title: Hobbit 3 1<sup>st</sup> December 2014 (United Kingdom) From: AKA: The Hobbit: 3 There and Back Again Release date: 4th December 2014, (New York City, Premiere) USA Origin: New Zealand, United States Genres: Adventure, Fantasy Disc Nos. - 1 Certification: 12A Duration: 2h 24m **Region Code:** Region: 2 Product Code: MPN: EAN: UPC: Languages: English Filming locations: Hobbiton - 501 Buckland Road, Matamata, New Zealand Sound mix: Datasat, Dolby SR, Dolby Digital, Dolby Atmos Colour: PAL Aspect Ratio: 2.35:1

The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies Theatrical release poster Directed by Peter Jackson Screenplay by Fran Walsh Philippa Boyens Peter Jackson Guillermo del Toro Based on The Hobbit by J. R. R. Tolkien Produced by Carolynne Cunningham Zane Weiner Fran Walsh Peter Jackson Starring lan McKellen Martin Freeman **Richard Armitage** Evangeline Lilly Lee Pace Luke Evans Benedict Cumberbatch Ken Stoff James Nesbitt Cate Blanchett Ian Holm Christopher Lee Hugo Weaving Orlando Bloom Cinematography Andrew Lesnie Edited by Jabez Olssen Music by Howard Shore Production New Line Cinema companies Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures WingNut Films Distributed by Warner Bros. Pictures **Release dates** 1 December 2014 (London premiere) 11 December 2014 (New Zealand) 17 December 2014 (United States) Running time 144 minutes<sup>[1]</sup> Countries New Zealand<sup>[2]</sup> United States<sup>[2]</sup> Language English \$250-300 million<sup>[3][4][5]</sup> Budget \$962.2 million<sup>[6]</sup> Box office

## **Storyline – The Battle of the Five Armies**

Bilbo and the Dwarves watch from the Lonely Mountain as the dragon Smaug sets Laketown ablaze. Bard breaks out of prison and kills Smaug with the black arrow. Smaug's falling body crushes the Master of Laketown and his cronies, who were escaping on a boat with the town's gold. Bard becomes the new leader of Laketown and guides its people to seek refuge in the ruins of Dale. Thorin, now possessing the vast treasure in the mountain, searches obsessively for the Arkenstone, which Bilbo had previously found but kept hidden. Upon hearing that Laketown survivors have fled to Dale, he orders the entrance of the Lonely Mountain sealed off.

Meanwhile, Galadriel, Elrond, and Saruman arrive at Dol Guldur and free Gandalf, sending him to safety with Radagast. They battle and defeat the Nazgûl and then face a formless Sauron himself. Galadriel defeats him in a duel of wills and banishes him and his forces to the East. Azog, marching on Erebor with his vast Orc army, sends his son Bolg to Mount Gundabad to summon their second army. Legolas and Tauriel witness the march of Bolg's army, bolstered by Orc berserkers and giant bats.

Thranduil and an Elf army arrive in Dale to reclaim a treasure once withheld from them by the Dwarf king Thrór. Bard asks Thorin for the share of gold previously promised to the people of Laketown, but Thorin refuses. Gandalf arrives at Dale to warn Bard and Thranduil of Azog, but Thranduil dismisses him. Bilbo sneaks the Arkenstone out of Erebor and gives it to Thranduil and Bard so that they can trade it for the promised treasures and prevent a war. Thorin angrily refuses the proposal, while Bilbo chides him for letting greed cloud his judgement. Thorin nearly kills Bilbo but is stopped by Gandalf. Thorin's cousin Dáin arrives with his Dwarf army, and a battle of Dwarves against Elves and Men almost ensues, until Azog's army arrives. The forces of Dáin, Thranduil and Bard, along with Gandalf and Bilbo, immediately band together against the Orcs. A second front is opened when the Orcs attack Dale, forcing Bard to withdraw his forces to defend the city.

Inside Erebor, Thorin suffers traumatic hallucinations of being swallowed up by gold before regaining his sanity and leading his company to join the battle. He rides with Dwalin, Fíli, and Kíli to kill Azog. Meanwhile, Tauriel and Legolas arrive to warn the Dwarves of Bolg's arrival, and Bilbo volunteers to relay the news to Thorin, using his magic ring to move through the combat unseen. Azog kills Fíli as Bilbo and the other Dwarves are forced to watch. Bolg overpowers Tauriel and then kills Kíli, who had come to her aid. Legolas battles Bolg and eventually kills him. The Great Eagles arrive with Radagast and Beorn, and the Orcs are finally defeated. In the climax, Thorin engages Azog in a duel and kills him, but is fatally wounded in the process. Bilbo makes peace with the dying Thorin, while Tauriel mourns Kili. Thranduil advises Legolas to seek out a Dunedain ranger in the north who goes by the name Strider. Thorin is buried with the Arkenstone along with Kili and Fili, and Dáin is crowned king.

Thorin's company settles back into Erebor, and Dale begins to recover with Bard as the leader. Bilbo bids farewell to the company's remaining members and journeys home to the Shire with Gandalf. As the two part ways on the outskirts of the Shire, Gandalf admits his knowledge of Bilbo's ring and warns him of it, although Bilbo assures him that he had lost the ring. Bilbo returns to Bag End to find his belongings being auctioned off because he was presumed dead. He stops the sale and starts tidying up his home, revealing he still possesses the ring. Sixty years later, Bilbo receives a visit from Gandalf on his 111th birthday.

### Cast

Martin Freeman as Bilbo Baggins Ian Holm as Old Bilbo Baggins Ian McKellen as Gandalf the Grey Richard Armitage as Thorin II Oakenshield Orlando Bloom as Legolas Evangeline Lilly as Tauriel Luke Evans as Bard the Bowman Benedict Cumberbatch as Smaug / Sauron Lee Pace as Thranduil Graham McTavish as Dwalin Ken Stott as Balin Aidan Turner as Kíli Dean O'Gorman as Fíli Manu Bennett as Azog the Defiler Mark Hadlow as Dori Jed Brophy as Nori Adam Brown as Ori John Callen as Óin Peter Hambleton as Glóin William Kircher as Bifur James Nesbitt as Bofur Stephen Hunter as Bombur Cate Blanchett as Galadriel Hugo Weaving as Elrond Christopher Lee as Saruman the White Sylvester McCoy as Radagast the Brown John Tui as Bolg Billy Connolly as Dáin II Ironfoot Mikael Persbrandt as Beorn Stephen Fry as Master of Lake-town Ryan Gage as Alfrid Lickspittle Mark Mitchinson as Braga John Bell as Bain Peggy and Mary Nesbitt as Sigrid and Tilda Simon London as Feren

Additionally, Peter Jackson and Andy Serkis's daughters made cameo appearances as girls rowing away during Smaug's attack; movement coach Terry Notary and stand-in Jamie Haugh appear as Laketown refugees after the destruction; Conan Stevens, who was to play Bolg, appears as the Keeper of the Dungeons, an Orc captain holding Gandalf hostage and the sons of key second assistant director Guy Campbell, casting director Miranda Rivers, and Weta Workshop founder Richard Taylor appear as Hobbit children during the auction scene.

#### **Parents Guide**

Certification

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

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