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### Title: Spiderman 2



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### Information

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Genres: Action, Adventure, Sci-Fi

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Certification: PG

Duration: 2h 7m

Region Code:

Region: 2

Product Code:

MPN:

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UPC:

Languages: English, Czech, Russian, Chinese

Filming locations: Spring Street Towers - 650 S. Spring Street,  
Downtown, Los Angeles, California, USA(bank)

Sound mix: DTS, Dolby Digital, Dolby Atmos

Colour: PAL

Aspect Ratio: 2.40:1 2.39:1

#### Spider-Man 2



Theatrical release poster

Directed by	Sam Raimi
Screenplay by	Alvin Sargent
Story by	Alfred Gough Miles Millar Michael Chabon
Based on	Spider-Man by Stan Lee Steve Ditko
Produced by	Laura Ziskin Avi Arad
Starring	Tobey Maguire Kirsten Dunst James Franco Alfred Molina Rosemary Harris Donna Murphy
Cinematography	Bill Pope
Edited by	Bob Murawski
Music by	Danny Elfman
Production companies	Columbia Pictures <sup>[1]</sup> Marvel Enterprises <sup>[1]</sup> Laura Ziskin Productions <sup>[2]</sup>
Distributed by	Sony Pictures Releasing <sup>[2]</sup>
Release dates	June 25, 2004 (Mann Village Theater) June 30, 2004 (United States)
Running time	127 minutes <sup>[3]</sup>
Country	United States
Language	English
Budget	\$200 million <sup>[4]</sup>
Box office	\$789 million <sup>[4]</sup>

# Storyline

Two years after becoming Spider-Man, Peter Parker is estranged from both his love interest Mary Jane Watson and his best friend, Harry Osborn, and discovers that his Aunt May is facing eviction. He finds himself suffering temporary but recurring losses of his powers, often in life-threatening situations. Harry, who is now head of Oscorp's genetic and scientific research division, is sponsoring a fusion power project by nuclear scientist Otto Octavius, who befriends and mentors Peter. While handling hazardous materials, Octavius wears a harness of powerful robotic tentacle arms with artificial intelligence.

During a public demonstration that Peter and Harry attend, a power spike causes the fusion reactor to destabilize. Octavius refuses to shut down the reactor, which goes critical, killing his wife and burning the inhibitor chip blocking the arms from his nervous system. As Spider-Man, Peter manages to shut the experiment down. At a hospital, doctors prepare to surgically remove Octavius' harness. Without the inhibitor chip, the arms have become sentient and defend themselves by killing the doctors. Afterward, Octavius takes refuge at a harbour. Now corrupted by the arms' AI, he decides to re-try his experiment and robs a bank to fund it. The Daily Bugle dubs the scientist "Doctor Octopus".

Mary Jane becomes engaged to astronaut John Jameson, the son of Bugle editor J. Jonah Jameson. Peter suffers an emotional breakdown over his inability to balance his life, with the stress stripping him of his powers as a result. He quits being Spider-Man, returns to his normal life, and attempts to reconcile with Mary Jane. He also finally confesses to Aunt May the truth about Uncle Ben's death. Aunt May forgives him, but the rise in the city's crime rates worries Peter.

Requiring the isotope tritium to fuel his reactor, Octavius visits Harry to demand it. Harry agrees in exchange for Spider-Man, whom he still believes is responsible for his father's death. He tells Octavius to seek Peter, whom Harry believes is friends with Spider-Man, but tells him to not harm Peter. Octavius locates Peter, tells him to find Spider-Man, and captures Mary Jane. Her endangerment leads to Peter's powers returning, and he goes after Octavius.

As they battle, they fall onto a New York City Subway train. Octavius sabotages it and leaves Peter to save the derailing train, which he does at a great physical toll. Octavius captures the now-weakened Peter and delivers him to Harry. Harry prepares to kill Spider-Man, only to be shocked to see Peter under the mask. Peter convinces Harry to put their conflict aside and direct him to Octavius' lair. They battle again as the nuclear reaction starts threatening the city. Peter reveals his identity and persuades Octavius to let his dream go for the greater good. Octavius commands the tentacles to obey him and sacrifices himself to destroy the experiment. Mary Jane sees Peter's true identity, which he says is why they cannot be together.

Meanwhile, Harry is visited by a vision of his father in a mirror, pleading for Harry to avenge his death, but Harry refuses to hurt Peter. Enraged, Harry shatters the mirror, inadvertently revealing a secret room containing his father's Green Goblin equipment. On her wedding day, Mary Jane abandons John at the altar and runs to Peter's apartment. After they kiss, they hear police sirens, and Mary Jane encourages him to go help as Spider-Man.

# Cast

Tobey Maguire as Peter Parker / Spider-Man:

A superhero, Columbia University physics student, and photographer for the Daily Bugle. Juggling these separate lives means he briefly gives up his responsibilities as a superhero in a moment of adversity.

Kirsten Dunst as Mary Jane Watson:

An aspiring Broadway actress and a friend Peter has loved since he was a child, yet he gave up the chance of being with her out of concern for her safety. Still harbouring feelings for Peter, Mary Jane begins dating John Jameson and eventually becomes engaged to him, in an effort to make Peter jealous. She also has a crush on Spider-Man, who saved her life numerous times in the past, and is unaware that the hero and Peter are one and the same.

James Franco as Harry Osborn: Oscorp's current CEO, Norman Osborn's son and Peter's best friend, who holds his alter-ego Spider-Man responsible for his father's death. He is also Mary Jane's ex-boyfriend and still harbours feelings for her.

Alfred Molina as Dr Otto Octavius / Doctor Octopus:

A scientist working on behalf of Oscorp and Peter's role model and mentor who goes insane after his failure to create a self-sustaining fusion reaction, which also resulted in the death of his wife, Rosie. Octavius is bonded with his handling equipment, four artificially intelligent mechanical tentacles, which influence his mentality and convince him that he must finish his experiment at all costs.

Rosemary Harris as May Parker: Ben Parker's widow and Peter's aunt.

Donna Murphy as Rosie Octavius: Otto's wife and assistant.

J. K. Simmons reprises his role as J. Jonah Jameson, the miserly manager and editor-in-chief of the Daily Bugle, while Daniel Gillies portrays his son John Jameson, an astronaut and Mary Jane's fiancé. Christine Estabrook appears briefly as Jameson's wife and John's mother.

As with the previous film, Bruce Campbell has a cameo appearance, this time as an usher who refuses Peter entry for arriving late to Mary Jane Watson's show. Spider-Man co-creator Stan Lee portrays a man on the street who saves a woman from falling debris during a battle between Spider-Man and Doctor Octopus. Dylan Baker portrays Dr Curt Connors, one of Peter's college physics professors and a colleague of Octavius, while Willem Dafoe reprises his role as Norman Osborn, Harry's deceased father who appears to him as a hallucination. Dafoe came up with the idea during promotion for Spider-Man, which he compared to King Hamlet haunting his son to avenge him. Elizabeth Banks, John Paxton, Ted Raimi and Bill Nunn reprise their roles as Betty Brant, Osborn family butler Bernard Houseman, Ted Hoffman, and Robbie Robertson, respectively. Elya Baskin portrays Mr. Ditkovitch, Peter's landlord, (whose name is a reference to Spider-Man co-creator Steve Ditko) and Mageina Tovah plays his daughter Ursula. Cliff Robertson reprises his role as Peter's uncle Ben Parker in a flashback.

Scott Spiegel portrays a man who attempts to eat some pizza Spider-Man is delivering, only to have it webbed from his hands. Elyse Dinh portrays a violinist. Joel McHale portrays Mr. Jacks, a bank teller. Hal Sparks portrays an elevator passenger who has a conversation with Spider-Man. Donnell Rawlings portrays the New Yorker who exclaims that Spider-Man "stole that guy's pizzas" and Emily Deschanel portrays a receptionist. Brent Briscoe plays the garbage man who finds Spider-Man's costume in the trash and gives it to Jameson. Peter McRobbie plays an OsCorp representative. Reed Diamond plays Algernon. Peyton List and her brother Spencer List make their film debuts playing a little girl and boy playing on steps respectively. Daniel Dae Kim plays Raymond, an assistant of Otto Octavius working in his laboratory. Aasif Mandvi portrays Mr. Aziz, the owner of Joe's Pizza. Joey Diaz, Dan Hicks and Chloe Dykstra portray train passengers. Vanessa Ferlito portrays Louise, one of Mary Jane's co-stars. Joy Bryant appears as a spectator that witnesses Spider-Man in action. John Landis plays one of the doctors who operate on Doctor Octopus. Phil LaMarr portrays a train passenger who is most easily seen to the left of Spider-Man (the viewer's right) while the hero uses webbing to slow the train down. Gregg Edelman portrays Dr Davis

## Parents Guide

### Certification

Argentina:Atp Australia:M Australia:PG (recommended rating) Brazil:Livre Bulgaria:B Canada:PG (Alberta/British Columbia/Manitoba/Nova Scotia/Ontario) Canada:G (Quebec) Colombia:T Czechia:U Denmark:11 Egypt:G (self-applied) Finland:K-11 Finland:K-12 (re-rating) France:Tous publics Germany:12 Greece:K-12 Hong Kong:IIA Iceland:12 India:U Indonesia:16+ (self-applied) Ireland:PG Ireland:12 (original rating, extended cut) Ireland:PG (2012, re-rating, extended cut) Israel:14 Italy:T Japan:G Malaysia:U Mexico:B Netherlands:12 New Zealand:PG Nigeria:G Norway:11 (2004, cinema rating) Peru:Apt Philippines:G Poland:12 Portugal:M/6 Russia:12+ Saudi Arabia:G Singapore:PG South Africa:PG South Korea:12 Spain:7 (ICAA) Sweden:11 Switzerland:12 (canton of Geneva) Switzerland:12 (canton of Vaud) Turkey:16+ (self-applied) United Kingdom:PG United Kingdom:12 (Blu-ray) United Kingdom:12A (IMAX version) United States:TV-14 (LV) United States:TV-PG (LV, TV rating) United States:PG-13 (certificate #39546) United Arab Emirates:PG-15 (self-applied) Vietnam:P

### Sex & Nudity

Mild

### Violence & Gore

Moderate

### Profanity

Mild

### Alcohol, Drugs & Smoking

None

### Frightening & Intense Scenes

Moderate

MPAA Rated PG-13 for stylized action violence

