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Aspect Ratio: 2.39:1



Theatrical release poster

Directed by	Ridley Scott
Screenplay by	Drew Goddard
Based on	The Martian 2011 novel by Andy Weir
Produced by	Simon Kinberg Ridley Scott Michael Schaefer Mark Huffam
Starring	Matt Damon Jessica Chastain Kristen Wiig Jeff Daniels Michael Peña Kate Mara Sean Bean Sebastian Stan Aksel Hennie Chiwetel Ejiofor
Cinematography	Dariusz Wolski
Edited by	Pietro Scalia
Music by	Harry Gregson-Williams
Production companies	Scott Free Productions Kinberg Genre TSG Entertainment
Distributed by	20th Century Fox
Release dates	September 11, 2015 (TIFF) September 30, 2015 (United Kingdom) October 2, 2015 (United States)
Running time	141 minutes ^[1]
Countries	United Kingdom ^[2] United States ^[2]
Language	English
Budget	\$108 million ^[3]
Box office	\$630.6 million ^[4]

Storyline

In 2035, the crew of the Ares III mission to Mars is exploring Acidalia Planitia on Martian solar day (sol) 18 of their 31-sol expedition. A severe dust storm threatens to topple their Mars Ascent Vehicle (MAV). The mission is scrubbed, but as the crew evacuates, astronaut Mark Watney is struck by debris. The telemetry from his suit's bio-monitor is damaged and Watney is erroneously presumed dead. With the MAV (Mars Ascent Vehicle) on the verge of toppling, the remaining crew takes off for their orbiting vessel, the Hermes.

Watney awakens after the storm, injured and with a low-oxygen warning. He returns to the crew's surface habitat ("Hab") and treats his wound. As Watney recovers, he begins a video diary. Unable to communicate with Earth, his only chance of rescue is the next Mars mission. In four years, the Ares IV will land 3,200 kilometres (2,000 mi) away at the Schiaparelli crater. Watney's immediate concern is food; being a botanist, he creates a garden inside the Hab using Martian soil fertilized with the crew's bio-waste and manufactures water from leftover rocket fuel. He then cultivates potatoes using whole potatoes reserved for a special Thanksgiving meal. He also begins modifying the rover for the journey to the Ares IV MAV site.

On Earth, NASA satellite planner Mindy Park, reviewing satellite images, notices moved equipment and realizes Watney must be alive. NASA director Teddy Sanders releases the news to the public, but decides not to tell the Ares III crew so that they will remain focused on their mission, over flight director Mitch Henderson's strong objection.

Watney takes the rover on a one-month journey to retrieve the Pathfinder probe, which fell silent in 1997, and its associated Sojourner rover. Using Pathfinder's camera and motor, he establishes visual contact with NASA. NASA transmits a software patch to link the mission's rover with Pathfinder, enabling communication by text. Sanders finally allows Henderson to inform Watney's crewmates.

Mars mission's director Vincent Kapoor and Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) director Bruce Ng prepare a space probe to deliver enough food for Watney to survive until Ares IV's arrival. Meanwhile, the Hab's airlock blows out, exposing the Hab to the harsh Martian environment, killing all the potato plants. Sanders orders the routine safety inspections be bypassed to save time, as a result the Atlas V rocket explodes soon after lift-off.

The China National Space Administration has developed a secret booster rocket, the Taiyang Shen. The decision is made to use the rocket to resupply Watney. Physicist Rich Purnell devises an alternative plan: have the Taiyang Shen rendezvous with and resupply the Hermes, which will then use Earth's gravity to "slingshot" back to Mars two years earlier than Ares IV. Sanders rejects the idea, considering it too risky for the Hermes crew. Henderson surreptitiously sends Purnell's proposal to the crew; they unanimously vote to implement it without seeking NASA approval, disabling NASA's remote controls and making the course change. Sanders is forced to support them publicly, but demands Henderson resign after the Ares III mission is complete.

Watney begins the 90-sol journey to Schiaparelli, where the MAV for Ares IV has been pre-positioned. He must use it to rendezvous with the Hermes, but it needs to be lightened considerably. After take-off, when the MAV runs out of fuel, its velocity relative to the Hermes is too fast for Watney to be picked up. Commander Lewis quickly improvises, using an explosive to breach a forward airlock, resulting in air escaping violently and slowing down the Hermes. It is still not enough; using a tethered Manned Manoeuvring Unit, Lewis is unable to reach Watney. Watney pierces his pressure suit, using the escaping air to propel himself to Lewis, ending his 543 sols alone on Mars.

After returning to Earth, Watney becomes a survival instructor for astronaut candidates. Five years later, as the Ares V is about to launch, those involved in Watney's rescue are seen in their current lives.

Cast

Matt Damon as Dr Mark Watney, a botanist and mechanical engineer who is part of the Ares III team.

Jessica Chastain as Commander Melissa Lewis, USN Submarine Warfare officer, oceanographer, geologist and the Ares III mission commander.

Kristen Wiig as Annie Montrose, the director of media relations for NASA.

Jeff Daniels as Theodore "Teddy" Sanders, the Administrator of NASA.

Michael Peña as Major Rick Martinez, USAF officer, engineer, pilot of the Ares III mission for MAV.
 Sean Bean as Mitch Henderson, the Hermes flight director
 Kate Mara as Beth Johanssen, the Ares III's system operator.
 Sebastian Stan as Dr Chris Beck, flight surgeon for the Ares III mission.
 Aksel Hennie as Dr Alex Vogel, a German national who is the navigator and chemist of Ares III.
 Mackenzie Davis as Mindy Park, a satellite planner in Mission Control.
 Benedict Wong as Bruce Ng, director of Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL).
 Donald Glover as Rich Purnell, a JPL astrodynamics.
 Chen Shu as Zhu Tao (Chinese: 朱涛), deputy chief scientist at the China National Space Administration.
 Eddy Ko as Guo Ming (Chinese: 郭明), chief scientist at the China National Space Administration.
 Chiwetel Ejiofor as Vincent Kapoor, NASA's Director of Mars Missions.
 Chastain prepared for her role by meeting with astronauts and scientists at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory and the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Centre. She was inspired by astronaut Tracy Caldwell Dyson, saying "She's very matter of fact, very straightforward. My character is dealing with the guilt of leaving a crew member behind, but she's still responsible for the lives of five other crew mates. I tried to play her as Tracy would have been in those moments." Damon prepared for the role by a different method than Chastain. He explained, "For me the rehearsal process was sitting with Ridley and going kind of line-by-line and moment-by-moment through the script and playing out a plan of attack for what we wanted each scene to accomplish."

The Media Action Network for Asian-Americans (MANAA) criticized the casting of white actor Mackenzie Davis as Mindy Park who it said was described by author Andy Weir as Korean-American. The group also criticized the casting of Chiwetel Ejiofor as Vincent Kapoor, who the MANAA said Weir described as an Asian Indian character. In the novel, the character's name was Venkat Kapoor, and he identifies religiously as a Hindu (a Baptist and a Hindu in the film). The group called the casting whitewashing and said that Asian actors, being under-represented in Hollywood, were deprived of acting opportunities.[6] Weir said in October 2015 he perceived Mindy Park as Korean but said he did not explicitly write her as Korean. He also dismissed criticism of Ejiofor's casting as Kapoor, "[Kapoor]'s an American. Americans come from lots of different sources. You can be Venkat Kapoor and black." In the original novel, Weir intentionally avoided including the physical descriptions of his characters.

Naomi Scott was cast as Ryoko, a member of the JPL team. She filmed her scenes but they were removed from the final cut, resulting in her appearance becoming a silent role.

Parents Guide

Certification

Argentina:13 Australia:M Austria:12 Brazil:12 Canada:PG (Alberta) Canada:PG (British Columbia) Canada:G (Quebec) Chile:TE Colombia:7 Czechia:12 Denmark:11 Egypt:Not Rated (self-applied) Finland:K-12 France:Tous publics Germany:12 Greece:K-12 Hong Kong:IIA Hungary:12 Iceland:12 India:UA Indonesia:17+ (self-applied) Ireland:12A Ireland:15 (DVD rating, extended) Ireland:12 (DVD rating, theatrical) Israel:ALL Italy:T Japan:G Lithuania:N-13 Malaysia:P13 Mexico:B Netherlands:12 New Zealand:M Nigeria:G Norway:9 (2015, cinema rating) Philippines:PG-13 Poland:12 Portugal:M/12 Russia:16+ Singapore:PG13 South Africa:10-12 South Korea:12 Spain:7 Sweden:11 Switzerland:12 Taiwan:PG-12 Thailand:G Turkey:13A United Kingdom:12A United Kingdom:12 (DVD rating) United Kingdom:12A (theatrical rating) United States:TV-MA (FX rating) United States:TV-14 (TV rating) United States:PG-13 (certificate #49880) United Arab Emirates:PG-15 (self-applied) Vietnam:C13

Sex & Nudity

Mild

Violence & Gore

Mild

Profanity

Moderate

Alcohol, Drugs & Smoking

Mild

Frightening & Intense Scenes

Mild

MPAA Rated PG-13 for some strong language, injury images, and brief nudity.

