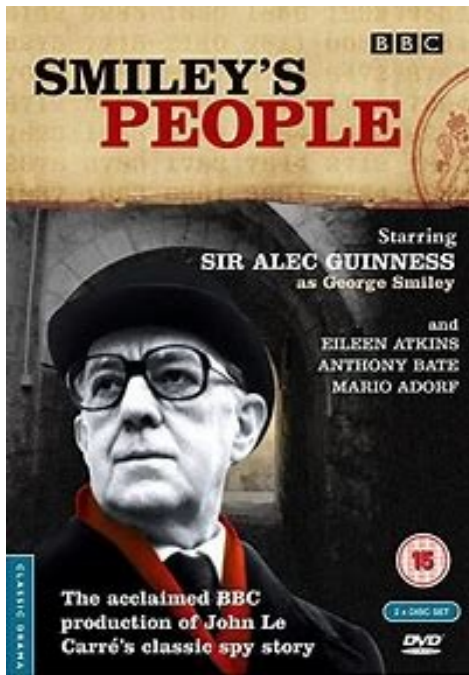


The Paragon Multimedia DVD, VHS Collection

Title: Smiley's People

(BBC 1 Disc Set)

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Information

Title: Smiley's People - 20th September 1982 (United Kingdom)

TV Mini Series BBC

From: - John le Carré's Smiley's People Novel

AKA:

Origins: United Kingdom

Release Date: 25th October 1982 (United States)

Genres: Drama, Mystery

Disc Nos. - 1

Certification: 15

Duration: 1hr

Region Code:

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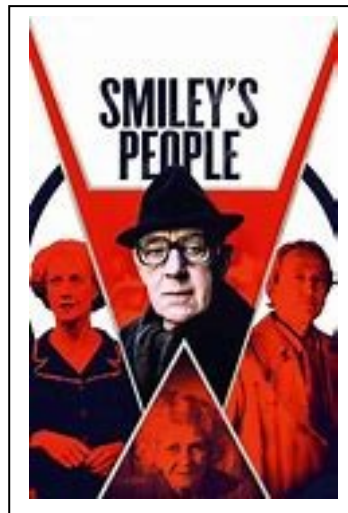
EAN:

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Languages: English

Filming locations: Lady Bay Bridge, Nottingham, Nottinghamshire, England, UK (West Berlin Checkpoint)

Sound mix: Mono



Smiley's People	
	
Opening title	
Based on	<i>Smiley's People</i> by John le Carré
Written by	John Hopkins
Screenplay by	John le Carré
Directed by	Simon Langton
Starring	Alec Guinness Michael Byrne Anthony Bate Bernard Hepton
Theme music composer	Patrick Gowers
Country of origin	United Kingdom
Original language	English
No. of series	1
No. of episodes	6
Production	
Producer	Jonathan Powell
Cinematography	Kenneth MacMillan
Editors	Chris Wimble Clare Douglas
Running time	360 min (UK)
Production companies	BBC Worldwide Paramount Domestic Television
Release	
Original network	BBC2
Picture format	4:3
Audio format	Mono
Original release	20 September – 25 October 1982
Related	
<i>Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy</i>	

Colour: PAL
Aspect Ratio: 1.33:1

Storyline

George Smiley is called out of retirement when one of his former assets, an émigré general, is found murdered. In tidying up loose ends for the "Circus", his former employer, he discovers a clandestine operation run by his nemesis, Karla, for his own personal benefit. Smiley is able to use this irregularity against Karla, forcing him to defect to the West. The murder of a Soviet defector forces his old handler, British spymaster George Smiley, out of retirement. His investigation leads to an old nemesis, the Soviet spymaster known only as "Karla". The 'Circus', is so overwhelmed by political considerations that it doesn't want to know what happened. Smiley begins to follow up the clues of his friends' past days, discovering that the clues lead to a high person in the Russian Secret Service and a secret important enough to kill for. Smiley continues to put together the pieces a step ahead or a step behind the Russian killers. This will be their final dance.

Review: Definitely the best film version of the books. More artful than Tinker Tailor and much more intense. The characters are more developed, especially Smiley's. The end of the movie had me on the edge of my seat, the suspense was incredible. If you enjoy spy films, this is absolutely essential viewing. (IMDb)

Cast

Alec Guinness as George Smiley
Eileen Atkins as Madame Ostrakova
Michael Byrne as Peter Guillam
Bernard Hepton as Toby Esterhase
Anthony Bate as Sir Oliver Lacon
Barry Foster as Sir Saul Enderby
Michael Lonsdale as Anton Grigoriev
Beryl Reid as Connie Sachs
Bill Paterson as Lauder Strickland
Siân Phillips as Ann Smiley
Mario Adorf as Claus Kretschmar
Tessy Kuhls as Frau Kretschmar
Patrick Stewart as Karla
Curd Jürgens as Gen. Vladimir
Vladek Sheybal as Otto Leipzig
Rosalie Crutchley as Mother Felicity

Maureen Lipman as Stella Craven
Dudley Sutton as Oleg Kirov
Michael Gough as Mikhel
Michael Elphick as Detective Chief Superintendent
Paul Herzberg as Villem Craven
Stephen Riddle as Nigel Mostyn
Tusse Silberg as Alexandra/Tatiana
Norma West as Hilary
Ingrid Pitt as Elvira
Lucy Fleming as Molly Meakin
Andrew Bradford as Ferguson
Joe Praml as Paul Skordeno
Alan Rickman as Mr Brownlow
Tanya Rees as Beckie Craven
Alex Jennings as PC Hall

Parents Guidance

Certification

Norway:9 (recommended rating) Singapore:M18 United Kingdom:15 United States:TV-14

Sex & Nudity – Moderate **Violence & Gore** – Mild **Profanity** – Mild **Alcohol, Drugs & Smoking**, Mild **Frightening & Intense Scenes** - Moderate

