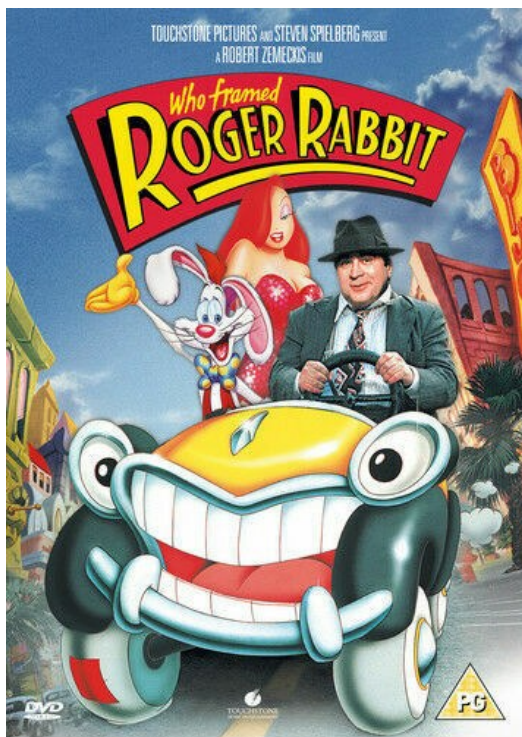


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Title: **Who Framed Roger Rabbit**



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Information

Release Title: **Who Framed Roger Rabbit** 2nd December 1988
(United Kingdom)
Publication date:
Origin: United States
AKA: Also known as: Dead Toons Don't Pay Bills
Release date: United States – 21st June 1988 (New York Premiere)
Genres: Animation, Adventure, Comedy, Crime, Family, Fantasy, Mystery
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Languages: English

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<i>Who Framed Roger Rabbit</i>	
Theatrical release poster by Steven Chorney	
Directed by	Robert Zemeckis
Screenplay by	Jeffrey Price Peter S. Seaman
Based on	<i>Who Censored Roger Rabbit?</i> by Gary K. Wolf
Produced by	Frank Marshall Robert Watts
Starring	Bob Hoskins Christopher Lloyd Charles Fleischer Stubby Kaye Joanna Cassidy
Cinematography	Dean Cundey
Edited by	Arthur Schmidt
Music by	Alan Silvestri
Production companies	Touchstone Pictures ^[1] Amblin Entertainment ^[1] Silver Screen Partners III ^[1]
Distributed by	Buena Vista Pictures Distribution ^[1]
Release date	June 22, 1988
Running time	104 minutes ^[2]
Country	United States
Language	English
Budget	\$50.6 million ^[nb 1]
Box office	\$351.5 million ^[8]

Filming locations: 3280 Hyperion Avenue, Los Angeles, California, USA (end of car chase scene where Roger, Eddie Valiant, and Benny the Cab escape police and weasels)
Sound mix: Stereo
Colour: PAL
Aspect Ratio: 1.85:1

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Storyline

Humans and cartoon characters, "toons", regularly interact in animated shorts and films, with toons residing in an area of Los Angeles known as Toontown. Private detective Eddie Valiant once worked closely with toons alongside his brother Teddy, but sank into depression and alcoholism after Teddy was murdered by one.

In 1947, R.K. Maroon, head of Maroon Cartoon Studios, is concerned about the recent poor performances of one of his toon stars, Roger Rabbit. Maroon hires Eddie to investigate rumours about Roger's gorgeous toon wife Jessica having an affair with Marvin Acme, owner of Acme Corporation and Toontown. After watching Jessica perform at a nightclub, Eddie secretly photographs her and Acme playing patty-cake, which he shows to Roger, who becomes distraught and despondent that his wife has been cheating on him.

The next morning Acme is discovered dead in his factory, and evidence suggests Roger killed him. While investigating Eddie meets Judge Doom, Toontown's sinister superior court judge, who uses a chemical substance known as "The Dip", capable of destroying the otherwise invulnerable toons. Eddie later runs into Roger's toon co-star, Baby Herman, who tells him that Roger is innocent and that Acme's missing will, which will give Toontown's ownership to the toons, may be the key to his murder. In his office, Eddie finds Roger, who begs him to help exonerate him. Eddie reluctantly hides Roger in a local bar, where his girlfriend Dolores works. Jessica approaches Eddie and says that Maroon forced her to pose for the photographs so he could blackmail Acme.

Doom and his weasel henchmen discover Roger, but he and Eddie escape with help from Benny, a toon taxicab. They flee to a theatre, where Eddie tells Roger about the tragic loss of Teddy. As they leave with Dolores, Eddie sees a newsreel detailing the sale of Maroon Cartoons to Cloverleaf Industries, a mysterious corporation that bought the city's Pacific Electric transit system shortly before Acme's murder. Eddie goes to the studio to interrogate Maroon. Roger is sent to guard outside but he is kidnapped by Jessica. Maroon tells Eddie that he blackmailed Acme into selling his company so he could sell the studio, then admits he only did so out of fear for the safety of the toons. Maroon is then murdered by an unseen assailant before he can explain the consequences of the missing will. Eddie spots Jessica fleeing the scene, and assuming she is the culprit, follows her into Toontown. Once he finds her, Jessica reveals that it was Doom who killed Acme and Maroon and that the former gave her his will for safekeeping, but she soon discovered it was blank. Then she and Eddie are captured by Doom and the weasels.

At the Acme factory, Doom reveals himself as the sole shareholder of Cloverleaf Industries and explains his plot to destroy Toontown with a machine fuelled with dip to build a freeway full of attractions in its place and force people to drive it once he has the transit system decommissioned to control all the profits. When Roger unsuccessfully attempts to save Jessica, the couple is tied onto a hook in front of the machine's water cannon. Eddie performs a comedic vaudeville act full of pratfalls, causing the weasels to die of laughter before he kicks their leader into the machine's dip vat, killing him. Eddie then fights Doom, who is flattened by a steamroller but survives, revealing himself as a disguised toon—and the one who killed Teddy. Eddie empties the machine's supply onto the factory floor, spraying it all over Doom and melting him to death.

The emptied machine then crashes through the wall into Toontown, where it is destroyed by a train. As the police and many dozens of toons gather at the scene, Eddie reveals Doom as Acme's murderer to everyone, clearing Roger's name. Eddie also discovers that Roger inadvertently wrote a love letter for Jessica on Acme's will, which was written in disappearing/reappearing ink, and Toontown's ownership is handed over to the toons. Having regained his sense of humour now that he has avenged Teddy, Eddie happily enters Toontown with Dolores alongside Roger, Jessica, and the other toons.

Cast

Live-action cast

Bob Hoskins as Eddie Valiant

Christopher Lloyd as Judge Doom

Corey Burton as Doom's toon voice (uncredited)

Stubby Kaye as Marvin Acme

Joanna Cassidy as Dolores

Alan Tilvern as R.K. Maroon

Richard LeParmentier as Lt. Santino

Richard Ridings as Angelo

Joel Silver as Raoul

Paul Springer as Augie

Mike Edmonds as Stretch

Voice cast

Charles Fleischer as Roger Rabbit, Benny the Cab, Greasy and Psycho

Kathleen Turner (speaking voice) and Amy Irving (singing voice) as Jessica Rabbit (both uncredited)

Lou Hirsch as Baby Herman

David L. Lander as Smart Ass

Fred Newman as Stupid

June Foray as Wheezy and Lena Hyena

Mel Blanc as Bugs Bunny, Daffy Duck, Porky Pig, Tweety Bird, and Sylvester. The film was one of the final productions in which he voiced his Looney Tunes characters before his death a year later in 1989.

Joe Alaskey as Yosemite Sam

Wayne Allwine as Mickey Mouse

Tony Anselmo as Donald Duck

Bill Farmer as Goofy and the Big Bad Wolf

Mae Questel as Betty Boop

Russi Taylor as Minnie Mouse and birds

Pat Buttram, Jim Cummings (imitating Andy Devine) and Jim Gallant (imitating Walter Brennan) as Eddie's toon bullets

Les Perkins as Mr. Toad

Mary T. Radford as Hyacinth Hippo, from Fantasia

Nancy Cartwright as a Toon shoe who gets dissolved in Dip

Cherry Davis as Woody Woodpecker

Peter Westy as Pinocchio

Richard Williams as Droopy

April Winchell as Mrs. Herman and Baby Herman's "baby noises"

Archival recordings of Frank Sinatra were used for the Singing Sword, whose character design is based on Sinatra.

Parents Guide

Certification

Argentina:Atp Australia:PG Belgium:KT/EA Brazil:10 Bulgaria:B Canada:PG (Manitoba/Ontario) Canada:G (Nova Scotia/Quebec) Denmark:11 Finland:K-7 (2013) Finland:K-12 (1988) France:Tous publics Germany:12 Hungary:KN (original rating) Iceland:L (original rating) Iceland:LH (video rating) India:U Ireland:PG Italy:T Japan:G Malaysia:U Mexico:B Mexico:7 (self-applied) Netherlands:AL Netherlands:6 (DVD) New Zealand:PG Nigeria:G Norway:10 Peru:Apt Poland:12 (self-applied) Portugal:M/6 Russia:12+ (video rating) Saudi Arabia:G Singapore:PG South Africa:A South Korea:All South Korea:12 (DVD rating) Spain:A Sweden:11 Sweden:9+ (Disney+ rating) Turkey:7+ United Kingdom:PG United States:TV-14 United States:TV-PG (DLSV) United States:TV-G (Disney Channel) United States:PG (No. 29171) United States:TV-Y7 (Some airings) United Arab Emirates:Not Rated West Germany:12

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

