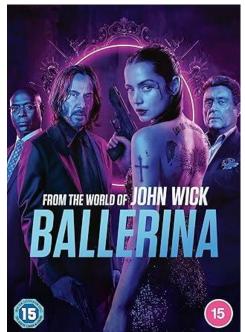
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# The Paragon Multimedia DVD, VHS

Title: Ballerina (John Wick Franchise)



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## **Information**

Release Title: Ballerina 07th June 2025 (United Kingdom)

Origin: United States, Hungary

Release Date: 04th June 2025 (United States) early access

Genres: Action, Thriller

AKA: Also known as: From the World of John Wick: Ballerina

Disc Nos. – 1 (Between 4&5)

Certification: 15

Duration: 2h 4 min (124 min)

Region Code: 2 Product Code:

Languages: English, Russian, Spanish, German Filming locations: Dubrovnik, Croatia(Croatia)

Sound mix: Dolby Atmos

Camera: Arri Alexa 35, Hawk class-X and Kowa Prominar Lenses

Cinematographic Process

Digital Intermediate (4K, master format) Hawk Scope (anamorphic, source

format) Kowa Scope (anamorphic, source format, some scenes)

**Negative Format** 

Codex ARRIRAW (4.6K)

Colour: Colour Aspect Ratio: 2.39:1



## Storyline - Ballerina - (John Wick Franchise) (Between Chapters 3 & 4)

Eve Macarro is the daughter of assassins Javier of the Ruska Roma crime syndicate and his Cultist wife. As a child, Eve was taken away from the Cult by Javier, which led to the death of her mother. To retrieve Eve, the Cult and its Chancellor raid their home; Javier dies as he helps Eve escape. New York Continental manager Winston Scott brings Eve to the Ruska Roma, an assassin's society under the cover of performance dancers, where she meets their director and agrees to enlist.

Over the next 12 years, Eve trains as a ballerina, assassin, and bodyguard. She briefly meets John Wick during his visit with the Director and he hints at an escape from the cycle. However, Eve completes her training by killing a former Ruska Roma member and earns the title of "Kikimora". On her first mission, Eve successfully protects her first ward.

While on a mission two months later, Eve is attacked by and kills a Cultist, who bears the same mark as those that murdered her father. Seeking revenge, she asks the Director about the Cult but is forbidden from pursuing them due to a longstanding truce between the Cult and the Ruska Roma.

Eve disobeys the Director and visits the New York Continental to meet Winston. Winston reveals that this "Cult" is separate from most other organized crime syndicates, as they are more uncivilized and "kill not just for business, but for sport." Winston informs Eve that one Cultist, Daniel Pine, is staying at the Prague Continental with a large bounty on his life.

Eve travels there and infiltrates Pine's room; she discovers Pine is hiding his daughter Ella from the Cult. Cult member Lena increases the bounty on Pine, causing several assassins to descend upon Pine's hotel room. Pine entrusts Ella to Eve, promising to give her information on the Cult later. As they exit the hotel, Cultist Dex shoots Pine, while Lena incapacitates Eve and kidnaps Ella. The Continental staff execute two captured assassins for their attack but spare Eve after determining she did not break any Continental rules.

Eve attempts to purchase weapons from arms dealer Frank, but the Cult attacks his shop. After Eve kills the assailants, Frank helps her narrow down the location of the Cult's base in Hallstatt, Austria. As Eve enters the town, she quickly comes under attack by its inhabitants, all of whom are Cultists. Eve is eventually captured and brought to the Chancellor. He reveals the Cult is a refuge for former assassins and that Pine is his son and Ella his granddaughter. Eve breaks free before being cornered by Lena, who reveals she is her older sister. Lena says Javier abandoned her during his escape as he feared that the Cult had already indoctrinated her. The Chancellor then orders their deaths; Lena is killed, but Eve manages to escape.

The Chancellor calls the Director to declare war on the Ruska Roma. However, the Director explains that Eve went rogue and appeases the Chancellor by hiring John Wick to eliminate her. John arrives at Hallstatt, where he finds and quickly defeats Eve, but implores her to abandon her pursuit. Eve pleads for her revenge, prompting a sympathetic John to give her until midnight to kill the Chancellor. Eve resumes fighting the Cult while John assists her from a distance as a sniper, killing Dex and several other Cultists. The Chancellor attempts to flee with Ella, but Eve corners them. The Chancellor attempts to reason with Eve, but she kills him and rescues Ella. John informs the Director of the Chancellor's demise, which she accepts, and departs the area.

Ella is reunited with a recovering Pine at the Prague Continental. Eve seeks refuge at the New York Continental, having left the Ruska Roma, and is warned by Winston that the surviving members of the Cult will seek revenge against her. While attending a ballet performance by her friend Tatiana, Eve learns of a \$5 million bounty on her head, and she leaves the theatre. Wiki

A young woman remembers the time when as a little girl she witnessed her father getting killed by cult members. She is then adopted by a society of assassins and trained for many years to become a ballerina, body guard and assassin. She performs well in all these activities to the satisfaction of her superiors. Her heart however is made up to seek vengeance against the killers of her father. Despite being warned not to take up this dangerous mission she goes ahead and single handedly wages war against them. - madanmarwah.

Reviewers say 'Ballerina' is praised for its action sequences, choreography, and integration into the John Wick universe. Ana de Armas' performance is often highlighted, with many noting her ability to hold her own in the action scenes. The film's visual style, direction, and music are also commended. However, some reviewers criticize the plot for being repetitive and lacking depth. The character development and emotional resonance are seen as weaker points, with some finding the story and characters unengaging. Despite these criticisms, many still find 'Ballerina' enjoyable and a worthy addition to the franchise. The film's pacing, cinematography, and special effects are frequently mentioned as strong elements. Overall, 'Ballerina' is seen as a solid action film that, while not reaching the heights of the best John Wick movies, provides entertaining and stylish action.... IMDb

### Cast

Ana de Armas as Eve Macarro, a ballerina who is beginning to train in the assassin traditions of the Ruska Roma. According to co-star Ian McShane, the character is under the protection of Winston and Charon in the New York Continental Hotel during the course of the film.

Victoria Comte as young Eve

Anjelica Huston as the Director, the leader of the Ruska Roma, a New York-based organization of ballerina assassins Gabriel Byrne as the Chancellor, the leader of a dangerous cult of assassins based in Hallstatt

Lance Reddick as Charon, the concierge at the Continental Hotel in New York and friend of Winston Scott and acquaintance of John Wick. This was Reddick's final appearance as Charon, and overall final on-screen appearance released posthumously two years following his death in March 2023.

Norman Reedus as Daniel Pine, an assassin and the Chancellor's son who is escaping the Cult. Reedus admired Keanu Reeves for the film series' demanding "I-need-a-bottle-of-Advil-all-day-long type of job". Reedus contrasted the film's tightly choreographed fight scenes with the "loose" and "sloppy" ones in his television series The Walking Dead: Daryl Dixon.

Catalina Sandino Moreno as Lena, an assassin working for the Chancellor. She is Eve's long-lost older sister Anne Parillaud as Prague Concierge (cameo cut from the theatre release)

Ian McShane as Winston Scott, the enigmatic owner of the New York Continental Hotel and friend of John Wick

Keanu Reeves as John Wick, a legendary assassin who is on the run from the High Table

Sharon Duncan-Brewster appears as Nogi, Eve's mentor. Choi Soo-young plays Katla Park, Eve's first field mission protected, while Robert Maaser plays Dex, the Chancellor's right-hand man. Jung Doo-Hong appears as Il Seong, who attempts to capture Katla. Waris Ahluwalia appears as The Eye, a cultist overseeing the town, while David Castañeda plays Javier Macarro, Eve and Lena's father who is affiliated with the Ruska Roma. Abraham Popoola stars as Frank, a high-end arms dealer based in Prague, while Ava McCarthy plays Ella Pine, the Chancellor's granddaughter and Pine's daughter. Juliet Doherty portrays Tatiana, a talented ballerina who was a former trainee of the Ruska Roma alongside Eve before she was dismissed. Daniel Bernhardt plays the Scarred Eye Assassin, after previously portraying Kirill in the first film.

### **Parents Guide**

#### Certification

Argentina 16, Australia MA15+, Austria 16, Belgium 16, Brazil 18, Bulgaria D, Canada 14AAlberta14ABritish Columbia14AOntario13+Quebec, Chile 14, China 17, Colombia 15, Czech Republic 15, Denmark 15, Ecuador 15, Egypt 16+, Finland K-16, France 12, Germany 18, Greece A-18, Hong Kong IIB, Hungary 18, Iceland 16, India A, Indonesia 17+, Ireland 15A, Israel 14, Italy 10+, Japan R15+, Lebanon PG16, Lithuania N-16, Luxembourg 16, Malaysia 18, Maldives 18+R, Malta 15, Mexico C, Netherlands 16, New Zealand R16, Norway 15cinema rating, Oman 18TC, Peru 14, Philippines R-16, Poland 16, Portugal M/16, Romania N-15, Russia 18+, Saudi Arabia R18, Singapore M18, South Africa 16, South Korea 19, Spain 16ICAA, Sweden 15, Switzerland 16, Taiwan 18+, Thailand 18, Turkey 16+, United Kingdom 15, United States Recrtificate #54363, Ukraine 16, United Arab Emirates 15+, Vietnam T18.

Sex & Nudity – None Violence & Gore – Severe Profanity – Moderate Alcohol, Drugs & Smoking – Mild, Frightening & Intense Scenes – Moderate

Motion Picture Rating (MPA) - Rated R for strong/bloody violence throughout, and language.



Ana de Armas was cast in 2021 to play a ballerina-assassin named Eve Macarro.





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