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# Foxtel Movies celebrates 55 years of Bond

## BOND POP-UP CHANNEL

For the first time in Australia and only on Foxtel

Featuring an incredible lineup of Bond movies

Friday, August 11 – Sunday, August 20

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Foxtel Movies are set to showcase a stunning collection of **James Bond** films on an exclusive Bond pop-up channel in August.

The pop-up will broadcast a stellar lineup of 24 movies in the iconic series from EON Productions and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios (MGM), plus two additional movies, the James Bond spoof **Casino Royale** (1967) and **Never Say Never Again** (1983).

Featuring all the great actors who have played the beloved 007 character, Sean Connery, George Lazenby, David Niven, Roger Moore, Timothy Dalton, Pierce Brosnan and Daniel Craig, the collection will be available to Foxtel Movies and Foxtel Platinum subscribers, from Friday, August 11 to Sunday, August 20.

The ten-day movie marathon will launch with the first film in the Bond series released 55 years ago, **Dr No** and will run through to the very latest Bond film and box office smash, **Spectre**.

EON Productions and MGM's long-running James Bond franchise, based on the fictional British secret service agent created by writer Ian Fleming, is one of the highest-grossing film series to date.

The Bond pop-up channel follows on from Foxtel Movies' hugely successful series of pop-up channels, including the *Star Wars*, *Harry Potter*, *Fast and Furious* and *The Hobbit & The Lord of The Rings* pop-ups.

The 24 official James Bond films featured on the Bond pop-up channel are as follows:

***Dr. No (1962)***

The first film in the series, James Bond (Sean Connery) battles the mysterious Dr. No, a scientific genius bent on destroying the U.S. Space Programme. He meets the beautiful Honey Ryder (Ursula Andress) in Jamaica and confronts the megalomaniac in his evil island lair.

***From Russia with Love (1963)***

James Bond (Sean Connery) delivers another blistering, thrill-a-minute caper as he attempts to thwart SPECTRE from seizing a decoder that can access Russian state secrets. Daniela Bianchi and Robert Shaw co-star.

***Goldfinger (1964)***

James Bond's third screen adventure features Sean Connery battling a cunning international gold smuggler intent on using an atomic bomb to contaminate Fort Knox and increase the value of his own gold.

***Thunderball (1965)***

Agent 007 is back and travels to Nassau to track down SPECTRE Agent No. 2, Emilio Largo, who has hijacked two atomic bombs and is threatening to plunge the world into a nuclear holocaust.

***You Only Live Twice (1967)***

Bond (Sean Connery) is sent to Japan to team up with their Secret Service to help stop SPECTRE's Blofeld from starting a third world war by setting America and Russia against each by kidnapping their space crafts.

***On Her Majesty's Secret Service (1969)***

Agent 007 (George Lazenby) and the adventurous Tracy Di Vincenzo (Diana Rigg) join forces in the Swiss Alps to battle the evil SPECTRE organization planning to hold the United Nations to ransom under threat of biological warfare.

***Diamonds Are Forever (1971)***

A fortune in stolen diamonds thrusts James Bond (Sean Connery) into action in this thrilling adventure. Agent 007 teams up with the beautiful Tiffany Case (Jill St John) to prevent his nemesis Blofeld (Charles Gray) from using the diamonds in a deadly laser satellite.

***Live and Let Die (1973)***

Roger Moore's debut as James Bond takes him in pursuit of a voodoo-worshipping underworld drug czar who leads him from Harlem to New Orleans to the exotic Caribbean. Jane Seymour, Yaphet Kotto and Geoffrey Holder also star.

***The Man with the Golden Gun (1974)***

In an effort to retrieve a device that could relieve the world energy crisis, Roger Moore 007 (Roger Moore) is lured into a deadly game of cat-and-mouse with a million-dollar killer Scaramanga (Christopher Lee). Britt Ekland and Maud Adams co-star.

***The Spy Who Loved Me (1977)***

Roger Moore as agent 007 teams up with a beautiful Soviet agent (Barbara Bach) to battle Stromberg (Curt Jurgens) in order to save the world from total annihilation and a 315-pound villain, "Jaws" (Richard Kiel).

***Moonraker (1979)***

James Bond (Roger Moore) is sent into orbit to protect Britain and the world from villain, Drax (Michael Lonsdale). The adventure takes him from Venice to Rio de Janeiro and to outer space. Also stars Lois Chiles as Dr. Holly Goodhead.

***For Your Eyes Only (1981)***

Agent 007 (Roger Moore) in a plot that finds him infiltrating the Greek underworld to find a stolen device capable of controlling a fleet of nuclear submarines. Also starring Carole Bouquet as Melina Havelock

**Octopussy (1983)**

Roger Moore as James Bond is lured to the Indian palace of Octopussy (Maud Adams) where he learns of a plot by power crazed Russian General Orlov (Steven Berkoff) to detonate a nuclear bomb on a US military base in Berlin. Also starring Louis Jourdan.

**A View to a Kill (1985)**

Roger Moore is 007 in this adventure that pits Bond against a twisted German industrialist Max Zorin (Christopher Walken) and his partner-in-crime, May Day (Grace Jones).

**The Living Daylights (1987)**

This thrilling, lightning-paced adventure has the indestructible James Bond (Timothy Dalton), armed with his razor-sharp instincts and license to kill, battling arms merchants and chasing the gorgeous Kara Milovy (Maryam d'Abo).

**Licence to Kill (1989)**

When his good friend Felix Leiter is beaten and left for dead, James Bond (Timothy Dalton) sets out on a mission, against his organization's wishes, to track down the drug lord Franz Sanchez (Robert Davi) who tortured his friend. Also starring Carey Lowell and Benicio Del Toro.

**GoldenEye (1995)**

An MI6 agent turns rogue and plans world domination with a terrifying satellite-borne weapon, James Bond (Pierce Brosnan) must pursue his former ally to Monte Carlo, Russia and Cuba. Also stars Judi Dench as M, Sean Bean, Izabella Scorupco and Famke Janssen

**Tomorrow Never Dies (1997)**

James Bond (Pierce Brosnan) has to stop media mogul Elliot Carver's (Jonathan Pryce) plan to induce war between China and the UK in order to obtain exclusive global media coverage.

**The World Is Not Enough (1999)**

James Bond (Pierce Brosnan) returns, charged to protect a gorgeous billionaire heiress from the ruthless hands of a nuclear-obsessed terrorist, Renard (Robert Carlyle).

**Die Another Day (2002)**

From a dark cell in a North Korean prison to the beautiful beaches of Cuba to a frozen palace in Iceland, 007 (Pierce Brosnan) circles the world in his quest to unmask a traitor and prevent a war of catastrophic proportions. With Judi Dench as M and Halle Berry as Jinx.

**Casino Royale (2006)**

James Bond (Daniel Craig) at the start of his career having just earned 00 status and his license to kill, sets out on his first mission, to defeat Le Chiffre (Mads Mikkelsen), a private banker to terrorists, in a high stakes game of poker at Casino Royale, Montenegro. Also stars Judi Dench as M and Eva Green as Vesper Lynd.

**Quantum of Solace (2008)**

Betrayed by the woman he loved, 007 (Daniel Craig) fights the urge to make his latest mission personal. As he gets closer to finding the man responsible for the betrayal of Vesper, 007 must keep one step ahead of the CIA, the terrorists and even M, to unravel villain, Dominic Greene's (Mathieu Amalric) sinister plan and stop his organization.

**Skyfall (2012)**

Bond's (Daniel Craig) loyalty to M is tested as her past comes back to haunt her. As MI6 comes under attack, 007 must track down and destroy the threat, no matter the cost. Also starring Javier Bardem, Judi Dench, and Naomie Harris.

**Spectre (2015)**

After receiving a cryptic message from his past, James Bond (Daniel Craig) sets out to uncover the terrible truth behind a sinister organisation called SPECTRE. Also starring Christoph Waltz as Blofeld and Naomie Harris returns as Money Penny.

The additional non-franchise James Bond films playing on the Bond pop-up are:

### **Casino Royale (1967)**

In this spoof of the classic Ian Fleming character, David Niven plays Sir James Bond, a spy from the old school called back to service by the death of “M” and the collapse of civilization. The film was not produced under the helm of EON Productions, the official producer of the James Bond franchise. It is not your typical James Bond film and doesn't try to be.

### **Never Say Never Again (1983)**

Also not produced by EON Productions, Sean Connery makes his last return to the role that made him famous in Thunderball. Also stars Kim Basinger.

The Bond pop-up channel will be available in HD\* to Foxtel Movies and Foxtel Platinum subscribers on channel 400. Channel 400 is now home to a series of hugely popular and exclusive pop-up movie events and is also available to stream on Foxtel Now.

The Bond pop-up movies will also be available to watch from Foxtel's on demand library, or streamed on demand on Foxtel's streaming service, Foxtel Now.

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