

# THE HOBBIT & THE LORD OF THE RINGS TRILOGIES

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## Take a Journey to Middle-earth on



### The Hobbit & The Lord of the Rings Pop-Up Channel

For the first time in Australia and only on Foxtel

Featuring all six movies from Peter Jackson's two smash-hit trilogies

Friday, July 7 from 6.00am AEST – Monday, July 10

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In an Australian television first, Foxtel Movies presents an epic pop-up adventure to rival them all, as the entire collection of movies in the extraordinary **The Hobbit** and **The Lord of the Rings** trilogies are showcased from beginning to end, in HD, on a dedicated pop-up channel.

All six movies in director Peter Jackson's smash-hit fantasy adventure trilogies will be available to Foxtel Movies and Foxtel Platinum subscribers, from 6.00am on Friday, July 7 through to Monday, July 10.

The four-day movie marathon will launch with the first film in *The Hobbit* trilogy, **The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey** and will run through to the final film in *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, **The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King**.

*The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings* trilogies are based on the novels by J.R.R Tolkien. Set in the fictional world of Middle-earth, the Academy Award-winning films received worldwide praise and have collectively become some of the highest-grossing movies of all time.

Both movie trilogies feature a stunning lineup of the film industry's most acclaimed actors including Sean Bean, Cate Blanchett, Orlando Bloom, Martin Freeman, Christopher Lee, Sir Ian McKellen, Viggo Mortensen, Miranda Otto, Hugo Weaving, David Wenham and Elijah Wood.

*The Hobbit & The Lord of the Rings* 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 *Arnie* pop-ups.

The six movies featured on *The Hobbit & The Lord of the Rings* pop-up channel, running back-to-back, are as follows:

*The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey (2012)*

Accompanied by thirteen dwarves, Bilbo Baggins is swept into an epic quest to reclaim the lost Dwarf Kingdom of Erebor from the fearsome dragon Smaug.

*The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug (2013)*

Join Bilbo Baggins as he journeys with the Wizard Gandalf and thirteen Dwarves, led by Thorin Oakenshield, on an epic quest to reclaim the lost Dwarf Kingdom of Erebor.

*The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies (2014)*

A deadly force is unleashed into the world as legions of Orcs begin to attack Lonely Mountain. A battle for the future of Middle-earth rages as Bilbo and his friends fight for their lives.

*The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (2001)*

A hobbit inherits a magic ring with the power to enslave Middle-earth and must reach Mordor to destroy it.

*The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers (2002)*

Frodo the hobbit continues his perilous journey to destroy the magic ring. A fellowship bands together to support him.

*The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King (2003)*

The final battle for Middle-earth is near as Frodo and Sam approach Mount Doom to destroy the magic ring.

*The Hobbit & The Lord of the Rings* 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 Hobbit & The Lord of the Rings* pop-up movies will also be available to watch from Foxtel's on demand library, or streamed on demand on Foxtel's newly announced streaming service, Foxtel Now.



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