

# A Day to Die

A Day to Die is an 2022 American heist action film directed, cowritten and co-produced by Wes Miller. It stars Kevin Dillon, Bruce Willis, Gianni Capaldi, Brooke Butler, Leon, and Frank Grillo. The film was released on March 4, 2022, by Vertical Entertainment.

#### **Premise**

Connor Connolly, a disgraced parole officer, becomes indebted to a local drug kingpin, Tyrone Pettis, after having no choice but to kill one of the latter's young enforcers (an "asset"). Upon having his pregnant wife Candice abducted by Pettis as leverage, Connor is forced to pull off a series of dangerous drug heists within twelve hours in order to pay the \$2 million dollars he now owes. Connor recruits his old teammates to conduct the heists with him, rescue his kidnapped pregnant wife, and settle a score with the city's corrupt police chief Alston who had double-crossed them years ago in a botched hostage situation that led to the former team's disbandment. Alston is secretly in an uneasy alliance with Pettis, who has financed his rise to power. The team goes through with the heists, and confronts Pettis whilst rescuing Candice, before coming to a mutual understanding and engaging in one final heist in an attempt to disrupt Alston's criminal operations. In the end, Connor, Pettis, and Candice successfully flee the country, while Alston, having been recorded during the ongoing heist gunning down one of his subordinates who was catching onto his illicit activities, is arrested.

#### Cast

- Kevin Dillon as Connor Connolly, a disgraced parole officer and former member of a "ghost" squad
- Bruce Willis as Alston, the police chief
- Leon as Tyrone Pettis, the local drug kingpin
- Frank Grillo as Brice Mason, the ex-captain of a "ghost" squad
- Gianni Capaldi as Tim Connolly, Connor's brother, and a former member of a "ghost" squad
- Brooke Butler as Candice Connolly, Connor's pregnant wife
- Johnny Messner as Deputy Chief Schipp

#### A Day to Die



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Directed by	Wes Miller
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	Rab Berry
	Wes Miller
Produced by	Wes Miller
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Starring	Kevin Dillon
	Bruce Willis
	Gianni Capaldi
	Brooke Butler
	<u>Leon</u>
	Frank Grillo
Cinematography	Michael
	Brouphy

- Vernon Davis as Dwayne Miller, a former member of a "ghost" squad
- Alexander Kane as Steven Rogers, a former member of a "ghost" squad
- Aspen Kennedy as Joaquin Smith
- Mohamed Karim as Detective Reynolds, a police officer
- Curtis Nichouls as Spade, Pettis' right hand man

### **Production**

<u>Principal</u> photography for *A Day to Die* began in <u>Jackson</u>, <u>Mississippi</u> in March 2021, as the first feature to be shot in the city in 2021. Filming concluded after six weeks in April, with the final scenes being shot in <u>Hawkins Field Airport</u>. In May 2021, Vertical Entertainment acquired distribution rights to the film.

### Release

The film was released in select theaters and through video-on-demand on March 4, 2022, by Vertical Entertainment. [4][7]

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*A Day to Die* grossed \$0 in the United States and Canada and \$98,616 in Russia and the United Arab Emirates, plus \$266,275 with home video sales, against a production budget of \$5 million.

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