

Welcome to the Jungle (2024 film)

Welcome to the Jungle is an upcoming Hindi language action adventure comedy film directed by Ahmed Khan and produced by Firoz Nadiadwala. It is a standalone sequel to Welcome (2007) and Welcome Back (2015), and the third installment of the Welcome franchise. The film stars an ensemble cast featuring Akshay Kumar, Sanjay Dutt, Suniel Shetty, Arshad Warsi, Tusshar Kapoor, Shreyas Talpade, Paresh Rawal, Raveena Tandon, Lara Dutta, Jacqueline Fernandez and Disha Patani in lead roles.

The film was announced in August 2023 while a motion poster was released in September 2023. Principal photography began in December 2023, and it is scheduled for theatrical release on 20 December 2024.

Cast

- Akshay Kumar as Rajeev
- Sanjay Dutt
- Suniel Shetty
- Arshad Warsi as Romeo
- Paresh Rawal as Ghungroo
- Raveena Tandon
- Lara Dutta
- Jacqueline Fernandez
- Disha Patani
- Shreyas Talpade
- Tusshar Kapoor
- Johnny Lever
- Rajpal Yadav
- Sharib Hashmi
- Yashpal Sharma
- Mukesh Tiwari
- Krushna Abhishek
- Kiku Sharda
- Daler Mehndi
- Mika Singh
- Rahul Dev
- Inaamulhaq
- Zakir Hussain

Table with 2 columns: Field (e.g., Directed by, Written by, Produced by, Starring, Cinematography, Music by, Production company, Release date, Country) and Value (e.g., Ahmed Khan, Farhad Samji, Firoz Nadiadwala, Akshay Kumar, Sanjay Dutt, Suniel Shetty, Arshad Warsi, Tusshar Kapoor, Shreyas Talpade, Paresh Rawal, Raveena Tandon, Lara Dutta, Jacqueline Fernandez, Disha Patani, Kabir Lal, Meet Bros, Jio Studios, 20 December 2024, India).

- Farida Jalal<sup>[2]</sup>
- Vrihi Kodvara

Language	Hindi
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## Production

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### Development

Development on *Welcome 3* began in September 2022 after years of speculations.<sup>[3][4]</sup> In December 2022, producer Firoz Nadiadwala disclosed that it would be retitled *Welcome to the Jungle*.<sup>[5]</sup> Promised to be made on a huge scale, it was officially announced in August 2023 with the release date set for Christmas 2024.<sup>[6][7]</sup>

### Casting

Ahmed Khan was signed as director.<sup>[8]</sup> Akshay Kumar agreed to return for the franchise after his absence in *Welcome Back* (2015),<sup>[9]</sup> and he was joined by Sanjay Dutt and Arshad Warsi in February 2023.<sup>[10][11]</sup> Suniel Shetty, Shreyas Talpade, Tusshar Kapoor and Paresh Rawal also came on board.<sup>[12]</sup> Raveena Tandon, Lara Dutta, Jacqueline Fernandez and Disha Patani play the female leads.<sup>[13][1]</sup> The entire cast was finalized in September 2023.<sup>[14]</sup>

### Filming

Principal photography commenced on 13 December 2023 in Mumbai.<sup>[15][16][17]</sup>

## Release

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The film is scheduled to be theatrically released on 20 December 2024.<sup>[1][a]</sup>

## Marketing

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The first look of the poster of the film was launched in September 2023. On 9 September 2023, Akshay Kumar released the first look poster of *Welcome to the Jungle* on social media, featuring Akshay Kumar, Suniel Shetty, Sanjay Dutt, Arshad Warsi, Paresh Rawal, Tusshar Kapoor, Shreyas Talpade, Jacqueline Fernandez, Disha Patani, Raveena Tandon, and Lara Dutta.<sup>[20]</sup>

## Notes

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- a. *India Today* reports the release date as "20 December 2024".<sup>[1]</sup> However, *DNA India* and *ABP News* both report the release date as "Christmas 2024".<sup>[18][19]</sup>

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