***Deadpool & Wolverine*** is a 2024 American [superhero film](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Superhero_film) based on [Marvel Comics](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marvel_Comics) featuring the characters [Deadpool](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool) and [Wolverine](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wolverine_(character)). Produced by [Marvel Studios](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marvel_Studios), [Maximum Effort](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maximum_Effort), and [21 Laps Entertainment](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/21_Laps_Entertainment), and distributed by [Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Walt_Disney_Studios_Motion_Pictures), it is [the 34th film](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Marvel_Cinematic_Universe_films) in the [Marvel Cinematic Universe](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marvel_Cinematic_Universe) (MCU) and the sequel to [*Deadpool*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_(film)) (2016) and [*Deadpool 2*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_2) (2018). The film was directed by [Shawn Levy](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shawn_Levy) from a screenplay he wrote with [Ryan Reynolds](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ryan_Reynolds), [Rhett Reese](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rhett_Reese), [Paul Wernick](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paul_Wernick), and [Zeb Wells](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zeb_Wells). Reynolds and [Hugh Jackman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hugh_Jackman) respectively star as [Wade Wilson / Deadpool](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wade_Wilson_(film_character)) and [Logan / Wolverine](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logan_(film_character)#Yellow_suit_variant), alongside [Emma Corrin](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Emma_Corrin), [Morena Baccarin](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Morena_Baccarin), [Rob Delaney](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rob_Delaney), [Leslie Uggams](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leslie_Uggams), [Aaron Stanford](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aaron_Stanford), and [Matthew Macfadyen](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Matthew_Macfadyen). In the film, Deadpool learns that the [Time Variance Authority](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time_Variance_Authority_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) is set to destroy his home universe and works with a reluctant Wolverine from another universe to stop them.

Development on a third *Deadpool* film began at [20th Century Fox](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/20th_Century_Fox) by November 2016, but was placed on hold after the studio was [acquired by Disney](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Acquisition_of_21st_Century_Fox_by_Disney) in March 2019. Control of the character and Fox's [*X-Men* film series](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X-Men_(film_series)) was transferred to Marvel Studios, which began developing a new film with Reynolds. It integrates Deadpool with the MCU and retains the [R rating](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/R-rating_(Motion_Picture_Association)) of the previous Deadpool films, a first for the MCU. [Wendy Molyneux and Lizzie Molyneux-Logelin](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Molyneux_sisters) joined in November 2020 as writers. Reese and Wernick returned from the previous films for rewrites by March 2022, when Levy was hired as director. They, along with Reynolds and Wells, had difficulty figuring out the film's story until Jackman decided to reprise his role as Wolverine from the *X-Men* films in August 2022. Several other actors from the *X-Men* films and other Marvel productions also returned as part of the film's [multiverse](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Multiverse_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) story, which serves as a tribute to Fox's Marvel films. Filming began in May 2023 at [Pinewood Studios](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pinewood_Studios) in England, with additional filming in [Norfolk](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Norfolk), Los Angeles, and at Bovingdon Film Studios. Production was suspended in July due to the [2023 SAG-AFTRA strike](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2023_SAG-AFTRA_strike), but resumed in November and [wrapped](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wrap_(filmmaking)) in January 2024. The title was revealed a month later.

*Deadpool & Wolverine* premiered on July 22, 2024, at the [David H. Koch Theater](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/David_H._Koch_Theater) in New York City, and was released across the United States on July 26 as part of [Phase Five](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marvel_Cinematic_Universe:_Phase_Five) of the MCU. It has grossed over $1.29 billion worldwide, becoming the [23rd-highest-grossing film of all time](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_highest-grossing_films), the [highest-grossing R-rated film of all time](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_highest-grossing_R-rated_films) and the [second-highest-grossing film of 2024](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_in_film#Highest-grossing_films).

**Plot**

In 2018, after [Wade Wilson](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wade_Wilson_(film_character)) uses [Cable](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cable_(character))'s time-travel device to prevent the death of his girlfriend [Vanessa](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vanessa_Carlysle_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)),[[a]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-5) he travels from his universe, [Earth-10005](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Earth-10005),[[b]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-7) to [Earth-616](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Earth-616_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) on the "[Sacred Timeline](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sacred_Timeline)",[[c]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-8) hoping to join the [Avengers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Avengers_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) and give his life added meaning. He is rejected by [Happy Hogan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Happy_Hogan_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) and returns to his universe. Six years later, Wade has broken up with Vanessa, retired from being the masked mercenary Deadpool, and works as a used-car salesman with his friend and former [X-Force](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X-Force) member, [Peter](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peter_Wisdom_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)).

During Wade's birthday party, the [Time Variance Authority](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time_Variance_Authority_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) captures him and brings him to [Paradox](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paradox_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)), who explains that they are an organization outside of time that monitors the Sacred Timeline and wider [multiverse](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Multiverse_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)), and offers him an important role on Earth-616. Wade initially accepts, however Paradox then reveals that Wade's timeline is deteriorating as a result of the death of its stabilizing "anchor being", [Logan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logan_(film_character)), while protecting his daughter [Laura](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Laura_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)).[[d]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-Logan-9) Paradox plans to use a "Time Ripper" device to accelerate this process, so Wade steals his [TemPad](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/TemPad" \o "TemPad) and uses it to travel to Logan's grave, hoping to resurrect him and save their timeline. When this fails, Wade travels the multiverse searching for a replacement alternate universe "variant" of Logan.

Wade returns to the TVA with a Logan variant but is told by Paradox that an anchor being cannot be replaced, and that this variant is considered "the worst [Wolverine](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wolverine_(character))" in the multiverse. When Wade deduces that Paradox is acting without the knowledge of his superiors, Paradox sends Wade and Logan to the [Void](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Void_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) where all things are consumed by the creature [Alioth](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alioth_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)). Logan agrees to work with Wade when he claims that the TVA can change his timeline. Wade and Logan are captured alongside [Johnny Storm](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Johnny_Storm_(film_character)) and taken to [Cassandra Nova](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cassandra_Nova_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)), the powerful and sadistic twin sister of X-Men leader [Charles Xavier](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_Xavier_(film_character)). Cassandra, who made a deal with the TVA to oversee the Void, kills Johnny and leaves Wade and Logan to be consumed by Alioth, but the pair manage to escape.

Logan and Wade meet a Deadpool variant called "Nicepool" who directs them towards a resistance group that have been fighting Cassandra. On the way, Logan realizes that Wade is bluffing about the TVA being able to fix his timeline, and the pair fight until both are left unconscious. They are found by the resistance group, consisting of Laura, [Elektra](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elektra_Natchios_(film_character)), [Blade](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blade_(New_Line_franchise_character)), and [Gambit](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Remy_LeBeau_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)). Wade proposes an alliance to fight Cassandra, and Laura convinces Logan, distraught over his reluctance that led to the death of his fellow X-Men, to join the cause. The resistance members distract Cassandra's henchmen while Wade and Logan block her powers by placing [Juggernaut](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Juggernaut_(character))'s helmet on her head. Cassandra is betrayed by her follower [Pyro](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Allerdyce_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) on behalf of Paradox, and almost dies until Logan convinces Wade to remove the helmet. Cassandra heals herself and opens a portal to Earth-10005, which Logan and Wade jump through.

Cassandra learns about Paradox's plan from Pyro, kills him, and follows Logan and Wade to Earth-10005. She learns about the Time Ripper's completion and how to use it from Paradox's mind and plans to destroy all timelines, leaving only the Void. Cassandra summons an [army of Deadpool variants](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_Corps_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)), who kill "Nicepool" and battle Wade and Logan until Peter arrives and distracts them. Paradox tells Wade and Logan that one of them could destroy the Time Ripper by disrupting its power flow, but this would kill them, even with their powers. Both Wade and Logan destroy the Time Ripper together, killing Cassandra in the process, and are able to survive by sharing the burden. Paradox is arrested by the TVA's [Hunter B-15](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hunter_B-15), who congratulates Wade and Logan and says their actions have stopped Earth-10005 from deteriorating. Wade asks Hunter B-15 to save the resistance group from the Void and change the history of Logan's world. She explains that the latter is not possible because Logan's history is what led to him being a hero now, and allows Logan to stay in Wade's world. Wade invites Logan to meet his friends, and with encouragement from Logan, reconciles with Vanessa.

**Cast**

* [Ryan Reynolds](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ryan_Reynolds) as [Wade Wilson / Deadpool](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wade_Wilson_(film_character)):  
  A wisecracking mercenary from [Earth-10005](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Earth-10005) with accelerated healing but severe scarring over his body after undergoing an experimental regenerative [mutation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mutant_(Marvel_Comics)) to treat terminal cancer.[[6]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-MolyneuxSisters-10) Wade begins the film retired from being Deadpool, no longer dating Vanessa, and working as a used car salesman.[[7]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWCoverJun2024-11) Writer [Rhett Reese](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rhett_Reese) described Deadpool as a [fish-out-of water](https://en.wiktionary.org/wiki/fish_out_of_water) in the film, a lunatic dropped into the "sane world" of the [Marvel Cinematic Universe](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marvel_Cinematic_Universe) (MCU).[[8]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-ReeseJun2022-12) Though Reynolds said the audience did not have to take Deadpool seriously, particularly with his [fourth wall](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fourth_wall) breaking and [unreliable narration](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Unreliable_narrator), he wanted them to be invested in the other characters.[[9]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-VanityFairJun2024-13) Deadpool's opening dance number was performed by Nick Pauley, who is credited as "Dancepool".[[10]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-IGNEasterEggs-14)[[11]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-/FilmDeadpoolVariants-15) Reynolds also portrays the variant Nicepool, who has no scars or healing factor, for which he is credited as "Gordon Reynolds".[[5]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-IGN35Minutes-6)[[12]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-DeadpoolCorps-16)
* [Hugh Jackman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hugh_Jackman) as [Logan / Wolverine](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logan_(film_character)#Yellow_suit_variant):  
  A former member of the [X-Men](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X-Men) and a mutant with healing abilities, retractable claws, and an [adamantium](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adamantium)-infused skeleton.[[13]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-ReynoldsJackmanRelease-17) This Wolverine is a variant from an alternative universe where he let down its inhabitants.[[7]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWCoverJun2024-11)[[14]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-OfficialTrailerCameos-18) This, and the pairing with Deadpool, allowed Jackman to explore new aspects of the character not developed in his prior appearances in [20th Century Fox](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/20th_Century_Fox)'s [*X-Men* film series](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X-Men_(film_series)).[[9]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-VanityFairJun2024-13)[[15]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EmpireMay2024Wolverine-19) Jackman said Logan and Wade are opposites and have a "quarreling dynamic",[[16]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-JackmanBeforeLogan-20) while director [Shawn Levy](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shawn_Levy) said their relationship is affected by both characters being "haunted with regret".[[9]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-VanityFairJun2024-13) To prepare for the role, Jackman began a vigorous workout routine that included eating up to 8,000 calories a day.[[17]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-JackmanWorkout-21) Jackman also portrays several other Wolverine variants in the film, including: one with the character's comic book-accurate height of 5 feet 3 inches (160 cm); Wolverine's gambling alter-ego [Patch](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patch_(character)), who wears an eyepatch and a white tuxedo; an [Old Man Logan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Old_Man_Logan) variant; a variant being crucified on a giant X, reminiscent of the cover of [*Uncanny X-Men*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Uncanny_X-Men) #251; a variant wearing the brown and tan costume from comic book artist [John Byrne](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Byrne_(comics)) who fights the Hulk, as the character did in his first appearance in the [*Incredible Hulk*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Incredible_Hulk_(comic_book)) comics; and an [*Age of Apocalypse*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Age_of_Apocalypse) variant with "[glam rock](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Glam_rock)-like" hair, one hand, and a black and red costume.[[18]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-WolverineVariants-22)
* [Emma Corrin](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Emma_Corrin) as [Cassandra Nova](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cassandra_Nova_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)):  
  A mutant in the [Void](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Void_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) with [telekinetic](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Telekinetic) and [telepathic](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Telepathic) powers, who is the twin sister of [Charles Xavier](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charles_Xavier_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)).[[19]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWMay2024-23)[[20]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWVideoJul2024-24): 10:43–10:51 Corrin was excited to play a villain in the film as they had not played many villainous roles before.[[21]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-CorrinEmpire-25) Corrin took inspiration from [Christoph Waltz](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christoph_Waltz)'s character [Hans Landa](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hans_Landa) in the film [*Inglourious Basterds*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Inglourious_Basterds) (2009), while Reynolds highlighted Corrin's humanization and the motivation of the character, comparing Cassandra's "mischief, danger, [and] unpredictability" to the energy of actor [Gene Wilder](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gene_Wilder).[[22]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-CorrinInspiration-26) Reynolds and Levy explained Cassandra to Corrin as someone who would endear and charm others to the point that "you are going to be best friends for life" only to realize she could easily kill them.[[7]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWCoverJun2024-11) Corrin was interested in having a physical transformation for the role but was told by the studio that this was not required for the character.[[23]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-CorrinNoPT-27) Corrin also wanted to pay homage to [Patrick Stewart](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patrick_Stewart) and [James McAvoy](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_McAvoy)'s performances as Xavier in previous *X-Men* films, as well as be faithful to Cassandra's relationship with him from the comics.[[24]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-CorrinScreenRant-28)
* [Morena Baccarin](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Morena_Baccarin) as [Vanessa Carlysle](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vanessa_Carlysle_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)): Wade's former fiancée[[7]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWCoverJun2024-11)[[20]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWVideoJul2024-24): 1:59
* [Rob Delaney](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rob_Delaney) as [Peter Wisdom](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peter_Wisdom_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)): A car salesman alongside Wade and a member of his [X-Force](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X-Force) team[[5]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-IGN35Minutes-6)[[20]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWVideoJul2024-24): 7:42
* [Leslie Uggams](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leslie_Uggams) as [Blind Al](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blind_Al_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)): Wade's blind elderly roommate[[25]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-SoniUggams-29)
* [Aaron Stanford](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aaron_Stanford) as [John Allerdyce / Pyro](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Allerdyce_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)):  
  A [pyrokinetic](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pyrokinetic) mutant working for Cassandra in the Void.[[19]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWMay2024-23)[[26]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-Stanford-30) He wears a more comics-accurate costume than in the films [*X2*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X2_(film)) (2003) and [*X-Men: The Last Stand*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/X-Men:_The_Last_Stand) (2006).[[7]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-EWCoverJun2024-11)
* [Matthew Macfadyen](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Matthew_Macfadyen) as [Mr. Paradox](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paradox_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)):  
  A [Time Variance Authority](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time_Variance_Authority_(Marvel_Cinematic_Universe)) (TVA) agent who oversees an unsanctioned project to speed up the death of Earth-10005 with a "Time Ripper" machine. Paradox hopes to prove himself to become the leader of the TVA.[[5]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deadpool_%26_Wolverine#cite_note-IGN35Minutes-6)