

## = Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 =

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 is a 2011 British @-@ American fantasy film directed by David Yates and distributed by Warner Bros. Pictures . It is the second of two cinematic parts based on the novel Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows by J. K. Rowling . The film , which is the eighth and final instalment in the Harry Potter film series , was written by Steve Kloves and produced by David Heyman , David Barron , and Rowling . It is the sequel to Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 . The story continues to follow Harry Potter 's quest to find and destroy Lord Voldemort 's Horcruxes in order to stop him once and for all .

The film stars Daniel Radcliffe as Harry Potter , alongside Rupert Grint and Emma Watson as Harry 's best friends , Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger . Principal photography began on 19 February 2009 , and was completed on 12 June 2010 , with reshoots taking place in December 2010 , more than ten years after filming started on the first instalment of the series . Part 2 was released in 2D , 3 @-@ D and IMAX cinemas worldwide from 13 ? 15 July 2011 , and is the only Harry Potter film to be released in 3 @-@ D.

The film became a financial success and was one of the best @-@ reviewed films of 2011 . The film received praised for its visual effects , cinematography , Alexandre Desplat 's musical score , the action sequences , David Yates ' direction , and the performances , especially Alan Rickman . At the box office , Part 2 claimed the worldwide opening weekend record , earning \$ 483 @.@ 2 million , as well as setting opening day and opening weekend records in various countries . As of 2016 , the film is the eighth highest grossing film of all time . It became the highest @-@ grossing film of 2011 , the highest grossing film in the Harry Potter series , and the ninth film to gross over \$ 1 billion .

The Blu @-@ ray and DVD sets were released on 11 November 2011 in the United States and on 2 December 2011 in the United Kingdom . The film was also released in the Harry Potter : Complete 8 @-@ Film Collection box set on DVD and Blu @-@ ray , which included all eight films and new special features . Part 1 and Part 2 were released as a combo pack on DVD and Blu @-@ ray on 11 November 2011 in Canada .

The film won several awards and was nominated for many more , including three nominations at the Academy Awards for Best Art Direction , Best Visual Effects , and Best Makeup and Hairstyling .

## = = Plot = =

Lord Voldemort retrieves the Elder Wand from Albus Dumbledore 's grave . After burying Dobby , Harry Potter asks the goblin Griphook to help him , Ron , and Hermione break into Bellatrix Lestrange 's vault at Gringotts bank , suspecting a Horcrux may be there . Griphook agrees , in exchange for the Sword of Gryffindor . Wandmaker Ollivander tells Harry that two wands taken from Malfoy Manor belonged to Bellatrix and to Draco Malfoy , but Malfoy 's has changed its allegiance to Harry .

In Bellatrix 's vault , Harry discovers the Horcrux is Helga Hufflepuff 's cup . He retrieves it , but Griphook snatches the sword and abandons the trio , leaving them cornered by security . The three release the dragon guardian and flee on its back . Harry sees a vision of Voldemort killing goblins , including Griphook , and learns Voldemort is aware of the theft . Harry also realises there is a Horcrux at Hogwarts somehow connected to Rowena Ravenclaw . The trio apparate into Hogsmeade , where Aberforth Dumbledore reluctantly instructs the portrait of his deceased younger sister , Ariana , to fetch Neville Longbottom , who leads the trio through a secret passageway into Hogwarts .

Severus Snape hears of Harry 's return and warns staff and students of punishment for aiding Harry . Harry confronts Snape , who flees after Minerva McGonagall challenges him to a duel . McGonagall gathers the Hogwarts community for battle . At Luna Lovegood 's insistence , Harry speaks to Helena Ravenclaw 's ghost , who reveals that Voldemort performed " dark magic " on her mother 's diadem , which is in the Room of Requirement . In the Chamber of Secrets , Ron and Hermione destroy the Horcrux cup with a Basilisk fang . In the Room of Requirement , Draco , Blaise Zabini and Gregory Goyle attack Harry after he finds the diadem , but Ron and Hermione

intervene . Goyle casts a Fiendfyre curse and , unable to control it , is swallowed up by the flames while Harry and his friends save Malfoy and Zabini . Harry stabs the diadem with the Basilisk fang and Ron kicks it into the Room of Requirement , where it is destroyed . As Voldemort 's army attacks , Harry , seeing into Voldemort 's mind , realises that Voldemort 's snake Nagini is the final Horcrux . After entering the boathouse , the trio witness Voldemort incorrectly telling Snape that the Elder Wand cannot serve Voldemort until Snape dies since he killed its last owner ( Dumbledore ) ; he then orders Nagini to kill Snape , which Nagini does . Before dying , Snape tells Harry to take his memories to the Pensieve . In the chaos at Hogwarts , Fred , Lupin , and Tonks have been killed .

Harry learns from Snape 's memories that Snape loved Harry 's late mother , Lily , but despised his father , James , who had bullied him . Following her death , Snape worked secretly with Dumbledore to protect Harry from Voldemort because of his love for Lily . Harry also learns Dumbledore 's death at Snape 's hands was planned between them , and that the Patronus doe he saw in the woods that led him to the sword had been conjured by Snape . Harry discovers that he himself became a Horcrux when Voldemort originally failed to kill him and that Harry must die to destroy the piece of Voldemort 's soul within him . Harry then surrenders himself to Voldemort in the Forbidden Forest . Voldemort casts the Killing Curse upon Harry , who finds himself in limbo , where Dumbledore 's spirit meets him and explains that the part of Voldemort within Harry was killed by Voldemort 's own curse . Harry then returns to his body , determined to defeat Voldemort once and for all .

Voldemort announces Harry 's apparent death to everyone at Hogwarts and demands they all surrender . As Neville gives a defiant response and draws the Sword of Gryffindor from the Sorting Hat , Harry reveals he is still alive . While Harry confronts Voldemort in a duel throughout the castle , Neville decapitates Nagini , leaving Voldemort mortal , and Molly Weasley kills Bellatrix in the Great Hall . Harry and Voldemort 's fight ends with Voldemort 's own Killing Curse rebounding and obliterating him . After the battle , Harry explains to Ron and Hermione that the Elder Wand had recognised him as its true master because he had disarmed Draco , who earlier had disarmed its previous owner , Dumbledore , but instead of claiming the Elder Wand , Harry breaks and discards it .

Nineteen years later , Harry , Ginny , Hermione , and Ron proudly watch their own children leave for Hogwarts at King 's Cross station .

= = Cast = =

Daniel Radcliffe as Harry Potter

Rupert Grint as Ron Weasley , one of Harry 's best friends .

Emma Watson as Hermione Granger , one of Harry 's best friends .

Helena Bonham Carter as Bellatrix Lestrange , a Death Eater and Sirius Black 's cousin and murderer .

Robbie Coltrane as Rubeus Hagrid , Harry 's half @-@ giant friend and a former staff at Hogwarts .

Warwick Davis as Filius Flitwick , the Charms master and Head of the Ravenclaw house at Hogwarts ; and Griphook , a goblin and former employee at Gringotts Bank .

Tom Felton as Draco Malfoy , a Death Eater and son of Lucius and Narcissa Malfoy ( Helen McCrory ) .

Ralph Fiennes as Lord Voldemort , a twisted , evil , power @-@ hungry powerful wizard , and the founder and supreme leader of the Death Eaters .

Michael Gambon as Albus Dumbledore , the late headmaster of Hogwarts

John Hurt as Mr. Ollivander , a wandmaker abducted by the Death Eaters .

Jason Isaacs as Lucius Malfoy , Draco Malfoy 's father and a disgraced Death Eater .

Kelly Macdonald as Helena Ravenclaw , the ghost of Ravenclaw at Hogwarts .

Gary Oldman as Sirius Black , Harry 's late godfather .

Alan Rickman as Severus Snape , former Potions and Defence Against the Dark Arts teacher and the new headmaster of Hogwarts .

Maggie Smith as Minerva McGonagall , the Transfiguration teacher and the Head of the Gryffindor house at Hogwarts .

David Thewlis as Remus Lupin , a member of the Order of the Phoenix and a former Defence Against the Dark Arts teacher at Hogwarts .

Julie Walters as Molly Weasley , the Weasley matriarch

== = Casting = = =

The roles of several minor characters were recast or replaced for this film . For example , Ciarán Hinds assumed the role of Aberforth Dumbledore , Albus Dumbledore 's brother and bartender of the Hog 's Head inn .

In the book , a significant number of characters who have not appeared since some of the earlier novels , reappear to defend Hogwarts in the large , final battle . Director David Yates said , " I want to get them all back " , referring to his desire to bring back as many actors who have appeared in the franchise as possible for the climactic battle sequence in the film . Sean Biggerstaff , Jim Broadbent , Gemma Jones , Miriam Margoyles , and Emma Thompson reprise their roles from earlier films briefly during the battle scene . For the final scene in the film which is set nineteen years after the film 's main story , the actors playing the main characters were made to look older through the use of makeup and special effects not once but twice ; the second being after the characters ' aged photos leaked onto the internet .

= = Production = =

Part 2 was filmed back @-@ to @-@ back with Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 from 19 February 2009 to 12 June 2010 , with reshoots for the epilogue scene taking place at Leavesden Film Studios on 21 December 2010 . Director David Yates , who shot the film with director of photography Eduardo Serra , described Part 2 as " operatic , colourful and fantasy @-@ oriented " , a " big opera with huge battles . "

The idea of splitting the final book into two films came from " creative imperative " and it was suggested by the executive producer Lionel Wigram . David Heyman , initially , responded negatively , but Wigram asked , ? No , David . How are we going to do it ? ? . After re @-@ reading the book and discussing it with Steve Kloves , he agreed with the division .

= = = Sets = = =

In an interview with Architectural Digest , production designer Stuart Craig remarked on creating sets for Part 2 . Of the Gringotts Wizarding Bank , he said , " our banking hall , like any other , is made of marble and big marble columns . And it has great strength . The fact that the goblins are the bankers and tellers at the counter helps that feeling of grandeur and solidity and the big proportions . That was part of the fun of the set : we exaggerated the size of it , we exaggerated the weight of it , and we even exaggerated the shine of the marble . " About the multiplication of treasure in one of the bank 's vaults , he noted , " We made literally thousands of pieces for it and vacuum metallised them to be shiny gold and silver . John Richardson , the special effects supervisor , made a floor that was capable of rising on different levels , so there was kind of a physical swelling of the treasure on it . "

Craig spoke about the Battle of Hogwarts to Art Insights Magazine , saying that " the great challenge is the destruction of Hogwarts . The sun rising behind the smoke ... the massive remains of destroyed walls , the entrance hall , the entrance of the Great Hall , part of the roof of the Great Hall completely gone , so yeah . A big challenge there and an enjoyable one really ? maybe it helped me and the guys in the art department sort of prepare for the end ... we demolished it before we had to strike it completely . " When asked about the King 's Cross scene near the end of the film , Craig said , " We experimented a lot , quite honestly . I mean it was quite a protracted process really but we did experiment the sense of it being very burnt out very very kind of white ? so we experimented with underlit floors , we experimented with different kind of white covering everything : white paint , white fabric , and the cameraman was involved in how much to expose it , and a series

of camera tests were done , so we got there but with a great deal of preparation and research . "

== Visual effects ==

Visual Effects Supervisor Tim Burke said that " It was such a major job to stage the Battle of Hogwarts , and we had to do it in different stages of production . We had shots with complex linking camera moves from wide overviews , to flying into windows and interior spaces . So , we took the plunge at the end of 2008 , and started rebuilding the school digitally with Double Negative . " He went on to say that " It 's taken two years ? getting renders out , texturing every facet of the building , constructing interiors to see through windows , building a destruction version of the school . We can design shots with the knowledge that we have this brilliant digital miniature that we can do anything with . With a practical Hogwarts , we would have shot it last summer and been so tied down . Instead , as David Yates finds the flow and structure , we are able to handle new concepts and ideas . "

On the quality of 3 @-@ D in film , Burke told Los Angeles Times , " I think it 's good , actually . I think people are going to be really pleased . I know everyone 's a little nervous and sceptical of 3 @-@ D these days , but the work has been done very , very well . We 've done over 200 shots in 3 @-@ D and in the visual effects as well , because so much of it is CG , so the results are very , very good . I think everyone 's going to be really impressed with it , actually . " Producer David Heyman spoke to SFX magazine about the 3 @-@ D conversion , saying that " The way David Yates is approaching 3 @-@ D is he 's trying to approach it from a character and story point of view . Trying to use the sense of isolation , of separation that sometimes 3 @-@ D gives you , to heighten that at appropriate moments . So we 're approaching it in a storytelling way . "

In 2012 , the visual effects in the film were nominated for an Oscar . The film also won the BAFTA Award for Best Special Visual Effects at the 65th BAFTA Awards in 2012 .

== Music ==

It was confirmed that Part 1 composer , Alexandre Desplat , was set to return for Part 2 . In an interview with Film Music Magazine , Desplat stated that scoring Part 2 is " a great challenge " and that he has " a lot of expectations to fulfill and a great deal of work " ahead of him . In a separate interview , Desplat also made note that John Williams ' themes will be present in the film " much more than in part one . " The soundtrack for the film was nominated for Best Score Soundtrack for Visual Media at the 54th Annual Grammy Awards .

== Distribution ==

== Marketing ==

In March 2011 , the first preview for Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 was released revealing new footage and new interviews from the starring cast . The first United States poster was released on 28 March 2011 , with the caption " It All Ends 7 @. @ 15 " ( referring to its international release date ) . On 27 April 2011 the first theatrical trailer for Part 2 was released . The trailer revealed a range of new and old footage . The IMAX trailer for the film was released with IMAX screenings of Pirates of the Caribbean : On Stranger Tides on 20 May 2011 . During the MTV Movie Awards on 5 June 2011 , Emma Watson presented a sneak peek of the film .

== Theatrical release ==

On 2 April 2011 , a test screening of the film was held in Chicago , with director David Yates , producers David Heyman and David Barron and editor Mark Day in attendance . The film had its world premiere on 7 July 2011 ( 2011 @-@ 07 @-@ 07 ) in Trafalgar Square in London . The

United States premiere was held in New York City at Lincoln Center on 11 July 2011 ( 2011 @-@ 07 @-@ 11 ) . Although filmed in 2 @-@ D , the film was converted into 3 @-@ D in post @-@ production and was released in both RealD 3D and IMAX 3D .

The film was originally scheduled to open in Indonesia on 13 July 2011 . The Indonesian government levied a new value added tax on royalties from foreign films in February 2011 , causing three film studios , including Warner Brothers , to halt the importation of their films , including Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 into the country . The film was not released to cinemas in the Kingdom of Jordan due to recently enforced taxes on films . It had not been premiered in the Kingdom as of 13 August 2011 .

On 10 June , one month before the film 's release , tickets went on sale . On 16 June 2011 , Part 2 received a 12A certificate from the British Board of Film Classification , who note that the film " contains moderate threat , injury detail and language " , becoming the only Harry Potter film to receive a warning for " injury detail " . At midnight 15 July , Part 2 screened in 3 @,@ 800 cinemas . In the United States , it played in 4 @,@ 375 cinemas , 3 @,@ 100 3D cinemas and 274 IMAX cinemas , the widest release for an IMAX , 3D and a Harry Potter film .

== = Home media == =

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 was released on 11 November 2011 in the United States in four formats : a one @-@ disc standard DVD , a two @-@ disc standard DVD special edition , a one @-@ disc standard Blu @-@ ray , and three @-@ Disc Blu @-@ ray 2D Combo Pack ( Blu @-@ ray + DVD + Digital Copy ) . In the United Kingdom and Ireland , the film was released on 2 December 2011 in three formats : a two @-@ disc standard DVD , a three @-@ disc Blu @-@ ray 2D Combo Pack ( Blu @-@ ray + DVD + Digital Copy ) , and a four @-@ disc Blu @-@ ray 3D Combo Pack ( Blu @-@ ray 3D + Blu @-@ ray 2D + DVD + Digital Copy ) . The film set the record for fastest @-@ selling pre @-@ order DVD and Blu @-@ ray on Amazon.com , just two days into the pre @-@ order period .

Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 sold 2 @.@ 71 million Blu @-@ ray units ( \$ 60 @.@ 75 million ) in three days ( Friday to Sunday ) . It also sold 2 @.@ 83 million DVD units ( \$ 42 @.@ 22 million ) during its debut . By 18 July 2012 it had sold 4 @.@ 71 million Blu @-@ ray units ( \$ 99 @.@ 33 million ) and 6 @.@ 47 million DVD units ( \$ 88 @.@ 96 million ) .

== Reception ==

== = Box office == =

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 grossed \$ 381 @,@ 011 @,@ 219 in the United States and Canada , along with \$ 960 @,@ 500 @,@ 000 in other markets , for a worldwide total of \$ 1 @,@ 341 @,@ 511 @,@ 219 . In worldwide earnings , it is currently the eighth highest @-@ grossing film , the highest @-@ grossing 2011 film , the highest @-@ grossing film in the Harry Potter franchise and the highest @-@ grossing children 's book adaptation . Part 2 set a worldwide opening @-@ weekend record with \$ 483 @.@ 2 million . It set a worldwide IMAX opening @-@ weekend record with \$ 23 @.@ 2 million . In worldwide earnings , it is the fastest film to reach \$ 400 million ( 5 days ) , \$ 500 million ( 6 days ) , \$ 600 million ( 8 days ) , \$ 700 million ( 10 days ) , \$ 800 million ( 12 days ) , \$ 900 million ( 15 days ) , and \$ 1 billion ( 19 days , tied with Avatar and Marvel 's The Avengers ) . On 31 July 2011 ( its 19th day of release ) , it became the ninth film in cinematic history and the second in 2011 to surpass the \$ 1 @-@ billion mark .

== = United States and Canada == =

In North America , it is the twenty @-@ fifth highest @-@ grossing film , the highest grossing 2011 film , the highest @-@ grossing Harry Potter film , the highest @-@ grossing children 's book

adaptation , the highest @-@ grossing fantasy / live action film and the eleventh highest @-@ grossing 3 @-@ D film . Box Office Mojo estimates that the film sold more than 40 million tickets . It set new records in advance ticket sales with \$ 32 million , in its midnight opening with \$ 43 @.@ 5 million and in its IMAX midnight opening with \$ 2 million . It grossed \$ 91 @.@ 1 million on its opening Friday , setting a Friday @-@ gross record as well as single- and opening @-@ day records . It also set an opening @-@ weekend record with \$ 169 @.@ 2 million , an IMAX opening @-@ weekend record of \$ 15 @.@ 2 million and opening @-@ weekend record for a 3 @-@ D film . Although 3 @-@ D enhanced the film 's earning potential , only 43 % of the opening gross came from 3 @-@ D venues . This means only \$ 72 @.@ 8 million of the opening @-@ weekend grosses originated from 3 @-@ D showings , the second @-@ largest number at the time .

It also scored the largest 3 @-@ day and 4 @-@ day gross , the sixth highest @-@ grossing opening week ( Friday to Thursday ) with \$ 226 @.@ 2 million , and even the seventh @-@ largest 7 @-@ day gross . It fell precipitously by 84 % on its second Friday and by 72 % during its second weekend overall , grossing \$ 47 @.@ 4 million , which is the largest second @-@ weekend drop for any film that opened to more than \$ 90 million . Still , it managed to become the fastest @-@ grossing film in the franchise and also achieved the second @-@ largest ten @-@ day gross ever at the time ( now eighth ) . In its third weekend , the movie surpassed Harry Potter and the Philosopher 's Stone to become the highest @-@ grossing film of the franchise in North America .

== == Other markets == ==

Outside North America , Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 is the third highest @-@ grossing film , the highest @-@ grossing 2011 film , the highest @-@ grossing Warner Bros. film and the highest @-@ grossing Harry Potter film . On its opening day , Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 grossed \$ 43 @.@ 6 million from 26 countries , placing it 86 % ahead of Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 and 49 % higher than Half @-@ Blood Prince . From Wednesday until Sunday , on its 5 @-@ day opening weekend , it set an opening @-@ weekend record outside North America by earning \$ 314 million . The average 3D share of Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 was 60 % , which was lower than the 3D share for Transformers : Dark of the Moon ( 70 % ) and On Stranger Tides ( 66 % ) . On its second weekend , it held to the top spot , but fell precipitously by 62 % to \$ 120 @.@ 2 million despite minor competition . This amount is about the same as what On Stranger Tides made from its second weekend ( \$ 124 @.@ 3 million ) . Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 was in first place at the box office outside North America for four consecutive weekends .

In the United Kingdom , Ireland and Malta it brought in a record \$ 14 @.@ 8 million on its first day . On its opening weekend it earned £ 23 @.,@ 753 @.,@ 171 in the United Kingdom , marking the second largest opening weekend in 2011 . Its performance did not surpass that of Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban in 2004 , which eared £ 23 @.,@ 882 @.,@ 688 on its opening weekend . In United States dollars , its opening weekend was an all @-@ time record \$ 38 @.@ 3 million , ahead of Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix ( \$ 33 @.@ 5 million ) . The film also achieved the largest single @-@ day gross on its first Saturday and the largest opening week with \$ 57 @.@ 6 million . The film made a total of £ 73 @.@ 1 million ( \$ 117 @.@ 2 million ) at the United Kingdom box office , marking the fifth highest @-@ grossing film . It also is the highest @-@ grossing film of 2011 and highest @-@ grossing Harry Potter film .

Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 also set opening @-@ day records in Mexico ( \$ 6 @.@ 1 million ) , Australia ( \$ 7 @.@ 5 million ) , France and the Maghreb region ( \$ 7 @.@ 1 million ) , Italy ( \$ 4 @.@ 6 million ) , Sweden ( \$ 2 @.@ 1 million ) , Norway ( \$ 1 @.@ 8 million ) , Denmark ( \$ 1 @.@ 6 million ) , the Netherlands ( \$ 1 @.@ 7 million ) , Belgium ( \$ 1 @.@ 4 million ) , the Czech Republic ( \$ 2 @.@ 0 million ) , Argentina ( \$ 961 @.,@ 000 ) , Finland ( \$ 749 @.,@ 000 ) and Hong Kong ( \$ 808 @.,@ 000 ) . It also established new Harry Potter opening @-@ day records in Japan ( \$ 5 @.@ 7 million ) , Brazil ( \$ 4 @.@ 4 million ) , Russia and the CIS ( \$ 4 @.@ 2 million ) , Spain ( \$ 3 @.@ 3 million ) and Poland ( \$ 1 @.@ 25 million ) .

Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 set opening weekend records in India with ? 15 Crores ( \$ 3 @.@ 41 million ) , Australia with \$ 19 @.@ 6 million , New Zealand with \$ 2 @.@ 46 million , Brazil with \$ 11

@. @ million , Scandinavia with \$ 18 @. @ 5 million , Mexico with \$ 15 @. @ 9 million and many other Latin American and European countries .

= = = Critical response = = =

Review aggregation website Rotten Tomatoes surveyed 308 reviews and concluded 96 % of them were positive with an average score of 8 @. @ 3 / 10 . The site describes the film as " Thrilling , powerfully acted , and visually dazzling , Deathly Hallows Part II brings the Harry Potter franchise to a satisfying ? and suitably magical ? conclusion . " On Metacritic , which assigns a normalised rating out of 100 based on individual reviews , the film achieved an average of 87 based on 41 reviews , signifying " universal acclaim " . The film received a score of 93 from professional critics at the Broadcast Film Critics Association ; it is the organisation 's highest @- @ rated Harry Potter film . Audiences surveyed by Cinemascore gave the film A grade on average .

Philip Womack in The Daily Telegraph commented , " This is monumental cinema , awash with gorgeous tones , and carrying an ultimate message that will resonate with every viewer , young or old : there is darkness in all of us , but we can overcome it . " He further expressed that David Yates " transmutes [ the book ] into a genuinely terrifying spectacle . " Another review was released on the same day from Evening Standard , who rated the film 4 out of 5 and stated " Millions of children , parents , and those who should know better won 't need reminding what a Horcrux is ? and director David Yates does not let them down . In fact , in some ways , he helps make up for the shortcomings of the final book . " The Daily Express remarked that the film showcases " a terrifying showdown that easily equals Lord of the Rings or Star Wars in terms of a dramatic and memorable battle between good and evil . "

Roger Ebert of the Chicago Sun @- @ Times gave the film 3 1 ? 2 out of 4 stars and said , " The finale conjures up enough awe and solemnity to serve as an appropriate finale and a dramatic contrast to the lighthearted ( relative ) innocence of Harry Potter and the Sorcerer 's Stone all those magical years ago . " Mark Kermode from the BBC said that the film is a " pretty solid and ambitious adaptation of a very complex book " , but he criticised the post @- @ converted 3D . Christy Lemire of the Associated Press gave the film 3 1 ? 2 out of 4 stars and said " While Deathly Hallows : Part 2 offers long @- @ promised answers , it also dares to pose some eternal questions , and it 'll stay with you after the final chapter has closed . " Richard Roeper , also from the Chicago Sun @- @ Times , gave the film an A + rating and said that " this is a masterful and worthy final chapter in one of the best franchises ever put to film . "

In one of the few negative reviews , Brian Gibson of Vue Weekly described the film as " deadly dull " and a " visual overstatement " . Other reviews criticised the decision to split the novel into two cinematic parts , with Ben Mortimer of The Daily Telegraph writing " Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 isn 't a film . It 's HALF a film ... it 's going to feel somewhat emotionless . " Other critics wrote of the film 's runtime ; Alonso Duralde from The Wrap said , " If there 's one substantial flaw to the film , it 's that this cavalcade of people and places and objects can barely fit in the 130 @- @ minute running time . " Rebecca Gillie from The Oxford Student gave the film 2 out of 5 stars and wrote , " at the end of [ the film ] there is nothing that stays with you once you 've left the cinema . "

= = = Accolades = = =

The film garnered a number of accolades and nominations . Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 was nominated for Best Art Direction , Best Makeup , and Best Visual Effects at the 84th Academy Awards . At the 65th BAFTA awards , the film won the Best Visual Effects award , and was nominated in the Best Sound , Best Production Design and Best Make @- @ up and Hair categories .

The film was nominated for Best Score Soundtrack for Visual Media at the 54th Annual Grammy Awards in 2012 . It won a Screen Actors Guild Award for Outstanding Performance by a Stunt Ensemble in a Motion Picture . The film scored 10 nominations at the annual Saturn Awards , Winning for Best Fantasy Film . In the 2011 Scream Awards , the film received a total of 14

nominations , and won in the Best Screenplay , Best Fantasy Actor ( Daniel Radcliffe ) , Best Villain ( Ralph Fiennes ) , Best Film , and Best Sound scene of the Year categories .

= = Franchise expansion / spin offs = =

A new trilogy set before the series is currently in development with the first film , Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them , being released November 18 , 2016 . J.K. Rowling , creator / author of the Harry Potter book series , will be closely involved with the new trilogy ; and was the screenwriter for the first film .