

= Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 =

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 is a 2010 British @-@ American fantasy film directed by David Yates and distributed by Warner Bros. Pictures . It is the first of two cinematic parts based on the novel by J. K. Rowling . The film , which is the seventh instalment in the Harry Potter film series , was written by Steve Kloves and produced by David Heyman , David Barron , and Rowling .

The film stars Daniel Radcliffe as Harry Potter , alongside Rupert Grint and Emma Watson as Harry 's best friends Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger . It is the sequel to Harry Potter and the Half @-@ Blood Prince and is followed by the concluding entry , Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 .

The story follows Harry Potter on a quest to find and destroy Lord Voldemort 's secret to immortality ? the Horcruxes . Principal photography began on 19 February 2009 (2009 @-@ 02 @-@ 19) and was completed on 12 June 2010 (2010 @-@ 06 @-@ 12) . Part 1 was released in 2D cinemas and IMAX formats worldwide on 19 November 2010 .

In the film 's worldwide opening weekend , Part 1 grossed \$ 330 million , the third highest in the series , and the highest opening of 2010 , as well as the eighth @-@ highest of all @-@ time . With a worldwide gross of \$ 960 million , Part 1 is the third @-@ highest grossing film of 2010 , behind Toy Story 3 and Alice in Wonderland , and the third highest grossing Harry Potter film in terms of worldwide totals behind Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 and Philosopher 's Stone , and the 28th highest @-@ grossing film of all @-@ time . The film received two nominations at the 83rd Academy Awards : Best Visual Effects and Best Art Direction .

= = Plot = =

The Minister of Magic , Rufus Scrimgeour , addresses the wizarding media , stating that the Ministry would remain strong even as Lord Voldemort gains strength . Harry , Ron and Hermione prepare for a journey to find and destroy Voldemort 's Horcruxes , with Harry watching the Dursleys depart and Hermione wiping her parents ' memories of her .

Severus Snape arrives at Malfoy Manor to inform Lord Voldemort and his Death Eaters of Harry 's impending departure from No. 4 Privet Drive . Voldemort commandeers Lucius Malfoy 's wand , as Voldemort 's own wand cannot be used to kill Harry , because the wands are " twins " .

Meanwhile , the Order of the Phoenix gather at Privet Drive and escort Harry to safety , using Polyjuice Potion to create six decoy Harrys out of everyone else . During their flight to the Weasley family home at the Burrow , all are ambushed by Death Eaters , who kill Mad @-@ Eye Moody and Harry 's owl , Hedwig , injure George Weasley , and knock out Hagrid which forces Harry to take over and drive his flying motorcycle while fighting Voldemort , destroying some power lines that causes a blackout to the city . At the Burrow , Harry has a vision of the wand @-@ maker Ollivander being tormented by Voldemort , who claims that Ollivander had lied to him by claiming that the only way Voldemort could kill Harry was by using another person 's wand .

Scrimgeour arrives at the Burrow with Albus Dumbledore 's Will and distributes three items to Ron , Hermione , and Harry . Ron receives Dumbledore 's Deluminator , Hermione a copy of The Tales of Beedle the Bard , and Harry the first Golden Snitch that he ever caught in a Quidditch match . Scrimgeour reveals that Harry was also bequeathed the Sword of Godric Gryffindor , but the Minister states that the sword was not Dumbledore 's to pass on and , in any case , is missing .

Next , the Death Eaters assassinate Scrimgeour and replace him with their puppet Pius Thicknesse , who , under the influence of the Imperius curse , begins persecuting Muggle @-@ born witches and wizards . When Death Eaters disrupt the wedding of Bill Weasley and Fleur Delacour , Harry , Hermione , and Ron Disapparate to London and find sanctuary at No. 12 Grimmauld Place . There they discover that the " R.A.B. " from the false Horcrux locket is Regulus Arcturus Black , the younger brother of Sirius Black . From Kreacher , the Blacks ' house @-@ elf , they learn that Mundungus Fletcher stole the real locket . Kreacher and Dobby apprehend Fletcher , who reveals that the locket is in the possession of Dolores Umbridge . Under the guise of Polyjuice Potion , the trio infiltrate the Ministry . In the courtroom , Umbridge is interrogating a Muggle @-@ born witch

and threatens her , which enrages Harry , who says to her " You 're lying , Dolores . And one mustn 't tell lies . " He then stuns her and Hermione successfully retrieves the locket . The trio escape from the Dementors into the wilderness after accidentally revealing the location of No. 12 Grimmauld Place to Yaxley , a Death Eater .

Unable to destroy the Horcrux , they take turns wearing it to dilute its malignant power . Harry sees a vision of Voldemort interrogating Gregorovitch , a renowned wand @-@ maker , who claims that a teenage boy had once stolen the legendary Elder Wand from his shop . While Ron wears the locket , he is overcome by his negative feelings and after arguing with Harry , he leaves , upsetting Hermione . Harry and Hermione decide to go to Godric 's Hollow , where they visit Harry 's parents ' graves and the house where they were killed . Next they visit Bathilda Bagshot , who they believe has the Sword of Gryffindor , which they deduce can destroy Horcruxes . They are surprised by Voldemort 's snake , Nagini , who had been possessing her corpse . Hermione accidentally breaks Harry 's wand as they escape into the Forest of Dean , where Hermione identifies the mysterious thief seen in Harry 's vision as Gellert Grindelwald .

When evening falls , Harry sees a Patronus in the form of a doe which leads him to a frozen pond . Gryffindor 's sword lies beneath the pond 's ice . Harry breaks the ice and jumps in to reach the sword . The locket around his neck attempts to strangle him , but Ron arrives to rescue Harry . Despite the soul inside the locket attacking both of them , Ron manages to destroy it with the Sword of Gryffindor . Hermione is angry with Ron at first but then reconciles with him .

The trio then visit Xenophilius Lovegood to learn about a symbol seen several times on their journey . He tells them that the symbol represents the Deathly Hallows : the Elder Wand , the Resurrection Stone and the Cloak of Invisibility . Lovegood betrays them to the Death Eaters in an effort to have his kidnapped daughter returned . Harry has a vision of Voldemort learning from Grindelwald that the Elder Wand lies with Dumbledore in his grave .

The trio escape into the wilderness once more , but Snatchers appear and chase them . They are captured and taken to Malfoy Manor . Bellatrix Lestrange imprisons Harry and Ron in a cellar in which they discover Luna , Ollivander , and Griphook the goblin . Bellatrix tortures Hermione for information on how they got the sword of Gryffindor . After Dobby apparates in the cellar to save them , and incapacitates Peter Pettigrew , a short battle ensues ; Harry duels and disarms Draco Malfoy . Narcissa Malfoy 's wand is taken by Dobby who says " Dobby has no master . Dobby is a free elf . And Dobby has come to save Harry Potter and his friends . " Dobby is killed by Bellatrix right after he helps Harry and the other captives escape . Meanwhile , Voldemort breaks into Dumbledore 's tomb and takes the Elder Wand .

= = 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 gamekeeper at Hogwarts .

Warwick Davis as Griphook , a goblin and former employee at Gringotts Bank . Davis replaced Verne Troyer , who portrayed the character physically in the first film , though Davis had dubbed Griphook 's lines .

Tom Felton as Draco Malfoy , a Death Eater and son of Lucius and Narcissa Malfoy .

Ralph Fiennes as Lord Voldemort , an evil , power @-@ hungry wizard , and the leader of the Death Eaters .

Michael Gambon as Albus Dumbledore , former headmaster of Hogwarts killed by Severus Snape in the previous film .

Brendan Gleeson as Alastor ' Mad @-@ Eye ' Moody , a member of the Order of the Phoenix .

Richard Griffiths as Vernon Dursley , Harry 's Muggle uncle .

John Hurt as Garrick Ollivander , a wandmaker abducted by the Death Eaters .
Rhys Ifans as Xenophilius Lovegood , the eccentric father of the trio 's friend Luna .
Jason Isaacs as Lucius Malfoy , Draco Malfoy 's father and a disgraced Death Eater .
Bill Nighy as Rufus Scrimgeour , the new Minister of Magic .
Alan Rickman as Severus Snape , a double agent to the Death Eaters and the new headmaster of Hogwarts .
Fiona Shaw as Petunia Dursley , Harry 's Muggle aunt .
Timothy Spall as Peter Pettigrew , the Death Eater who betrayed Harry 's parents to Voldemort .
Imelda Staunton as Dolores Umbridge , Senior Undersecretary to the Minister and Head of the Muggle @-@ born Registration Commission .
David Thewlis as Remus Lupin , a member of the Order of the Phoenix and a former teacher at Hogwarts .
Julie Walters as Molly Weasley , the Weasley matriarch and a mother figure to Harry .

= = Production = =

Part 1 was filmed back @-@ to @-@ back with Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 from 19 February 2009 to 12 June 2010 . Director David Yates , who shot the film alongside director of photography Eduardo Serra , described Part 1 as " quite real " ; a " road movie " that 's " almost like a vérité documentary " .

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 rereading the book and discussing it with Steve Kloves , he agreed with the division .

The production filmed at Dartford Crossing for the dramatic chase where Hagrid and Harry are being ambushed by Death Eaters .

= = = Sets = = =

Stuart Craig , set designer for all of the previous Harry Potter films , returned for the final two parts . He said , " We made a very different kind of film , which was shot a great deal on location . We travelled quite far , we built sets , and they spend a lot of time in a forest , " he explained . " We built forest sets and integrated them into the real forests , so there were challenges there , as you might imagine . " Craig was ultimately nominated for an Academy Award for his work on Part 1 .

On the wedding tent for Bill and Fleur 's wedding in Part 1 , Craig commented on his aim to " rather than make it an extension of the house , which is rather eccentric , homemade , we decided to make it rather elegant . . . It 's lined with silk and beautiful , floating candelabra . So it 's a nice contrast with the house . " For the Ministry of Magic set , he noted , " This is an underground world ; this is a ministry , so we went to the real ministries , the Muggle ministries ? Whitehall , in London ? and decided that our magical ministry was kind of a parallel universe to these real ministries . "

Craig also commented on his design of Malfoy Manor , saying that it is " a very strong architectural set . The exterior is based on an Elizabethan house here in this country called Hardwick Hall and it has massive windows , and these windows are kind of blinded out . The shutters are drawn so they are like blind windows and they have a real kind of presence , an ominous presence , so that gave us the basis for a good exterior . There 's an extraordinary magical roof that 's added and surrounded by forest which isn 't there in reality , but again is one of the devices to make it more threatening and mysterious . "

= = = Costumes = = =

The costumes for Part 1 were designed by Jany Temime , who has been the costume designer on Harry Potter productions since Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (2004) . Temime was involved in a controversy regarding her work on Fleur Delacour 's wedding dress . She was accused

of copying the design from a similar dress from Alexander McQueen 's Fall 2008 collection . Temime spoke about the dress , saying that she " wanted it to be a witch wedding dress but not a Halloween dress . The dress is white but it needed to have something fantastic to it . So there is the phoenix [motif] , the bird , which is a symbol of love in a way because there is rebirth , love never dies , it is born again . "

= = = Visual effects = = =

After working on every film since Prisoner of Azkaban , Double Negative was asked to provide visual effects for the final instalments of the story , in Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Parts 1 and 2 . Working closely with the film 's VFX Supervisor , Tim Burke , the team was led by VFX Supervisor , David Vickery and VFX Producer Charlotte Loughlane . The main team also included 3D Supervisor , Rick Leary and 2D Supervisor , Sean Stranks .

Double Negative 's work for Part 1 included the corroding Warner Brothers logo and extensive environment extensions of the Burrows and its surrounds . Additional environment work was completed on Xenophilius Lovegood 's home , extending it in 3D and culminating in the Death Eaters ' attack . Double Negative also advanced the Death Eaters ' smoke effects , with the introduction of the ' flayed man ' stage in between their smokey , fluid , flying state and their live @-@ action presence upon landing . Other work included the Patronus charm that interrupts the wedding party to inform the guests that Voldemort has taken over the Ministry of Magic .

The visual effects company Framestore produced most of the creature CGI , as in previous films , as well as the animated Tale of the Three Brothers sequence , which was directed and designed by Ben Hibon .

= = = Music = = =

Composer Nicholas Hooper , who scored Order of the Phoenix and Half @-@ Blood Prince , did not return for Deathly Hallows . Instead , Alexandre Desplat was hired to compose the score for Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 . The film also featured the song " O Children " by Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds .

= = Distribution = =

= = = Marketing = = =

The first official picture from the first film was released on 1 December 2009 (2009 @-@ 12 @-@ 01) , showing Harry , Ron and Hermione in a London street . A clip was officially released on 8 December 2009 (2009 @-@ 12 @-@ 08) with the release of Harry Potter and the Half @-@ Blood Prince on Blu @-@ ray and DVD . At the 2010 ShoWest convention , Alan F. Horn premiered unfinished footage from both films . The 2010 MTV Movie Awards premiered more footage from Deathly Hallows . Following this was the release of the official teaser poster , which shows the release date of both Part 1 and Part 2 and a destroyed Hogwarts castle . ABC Family broadcast interviews and additional scenes from both parts during their Harry Potter weekend , which began on 8 July 2010 . A two @-@ minute trailer for the film was released worldwide on 22 September 2010 .

On 29 September 2010 , three character posters for Part 1 of Harry , Ron , and Hermione were released by Yahoo ! Movies . The following day , a Part 1 cinema poster was released featuring the trio on the run in a forest . The theatrical poster has the tagline " Nowhere is safe " , and another version with no credits has the tagline " The end begins " . Various other character posters for Part 1 were released on 6 October 2010 , featuring Harry , Ron , Hermione , Lord Voldemort , Bellatrix Lestrange , Severus Snape and Fenrir Greyback . On 12 October , four new character posters were released . The posters are set to the theme of " Trust no one " and " The hunt begins " .

On 15 October 2010 , tickets began selling on Fandango for the US release of Part 1 , and on 19 October , a 50 @-@ second clip featuring never @-@ before @-@ seen footage was aired at the 2010 Screen Awards . On 16 October , the second TV spot was released on Cartoon Network during a premiere of Scooby @-@ Doo ! Curse of the Lake Monster . On 25 October 2010 , Yahoo ! Movies released an exclusive featurette of the film . On 30 October 2010 , Entertainment Weekly released two new featurettes titled " Horcruxes " and " The Story " , featuring a large amount of never @-@ before @-@ seen footage . On the same day , the Warner Bros. Harry Potter website was updated to reveal twelve miniature clips from the film .

On 3 November 2010 , the Los Angeles Times released an extended clip of Harry leaving the Burrow to find the Horcruxes , titled " No One Else Is Going to Die for Me " . On 4 November , a new clip was released from the Harry Potter Facebook page , titled " The Seven Potters " . Two more clips were released over the next two days , including a scene depicting a café attack and another taking place in Malfoy Manor .

= = = Theatrical release = = =

On 26 August 2010 , director David Yates , producers David Heyman and David Barron , and with Warner Bros. president Alan F. Horn attended a test screening for Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 in Chicago . The unfinished film gained rave reviews from test screeners , some of whom labelled it " amazing and dark " and " the most perfect Harry Potter film " . Others expressed that the film faithfully adapted the novel , which led to an inheritance of the " book 's own problems " .

Warner Bros. Pictures was originally going to release Part 1 of Deathly Hallows in 2D and 3D formats . On 8 October 2010 , it was announced that plans for a 3D version of Part 1 had been scrapped . " Warner Bros. Pictures has made the decision to release Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 in 2D , in both conventional and IMAX cinemas [because] we will not have a completed 3D version of the film within our release date window . Despite everyone 's best efforts , we were unable to convert the film in its entirety and meet the highest standards of quality . " Part 1 of Deathly Hallows was released on Blu @-@ ray 3D as a Best Buy Exclusive . Part 2 was still released in 2D , 3D , and IMAX formats .

The world premiere for Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 was held in Leicester Square in London on 11 November 2010 , with fans from across the world turning up ? some of whom had camped for days in the square . This was followed by the Belgian premiere on 12 November and the US premiere in New York City on 15 November .

Just 48 hours prior to the official North American launch of Part 1 , the first 36 minutes of the film were leaked on the internet . Even before the leak , the film was already the fifth @-@ biggest generator of advance ticket sales in history , after selling out 1 @, @ 000 cinemas across the United States . Despite widely circulating rumours that the leaked footage was a marketing ploy to generate hype for the movie release date , no screener discs had been created by Warner Bros. , and executives called it " a serious breach of copyright violation and theft of Warner Bros. property " .

In Australia , the film had its premiere on 13 November at Warner Bros. Movie World , located on the Gold Coast , Queensland . Three hundred people attended the viewing , which was the second official showing in the world , behind the UK premiere . The film premiered in Kuwait 's release on 16 November . In Israel , Estonia , and New Zealand , the film was released on 18 November .

= = = Home media = = =

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 was released on a single disc DVD and 3 @-@ disc Blu @-@ ray combo pack on 11 April 2011 in the UK and on 15 April 2011 in the US . On 28 January 2011 , it was announced by Emma Watson on the Harry Potter UK Facebook page that the page 's fans will get to vote for their preferred cover for the Part 1 Blu @-@ ray . The cover with the most votes will be the cover for the disc . Voting started that same day . The DVD and Blu @-@ ray include eight deleted scenes , with the Blu @-@ ray Combo Pack containing an opening scene from Part 2 featuring Harry and Ollivander discussing the Deathly Hallows . Deathly Hallows ? Part 1

performed well in DVD sales , selling 7 @, @ 237 @, @ 437 DVD units and adding \$ 86 @, @ 932 @, @ 256 to the gross revenue of the film , bringing the total to \$ 1 @, @ 043 @, @ 331 @, @ 967 .

= = Reception = =

= = = Box office = = =

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 grossed \$ 24 million in North America during its midnight showing , beating the record for the highest @-@ grossing midnight gross of the series , previously held by Half Blood Prince , which grossed \$ 22 @. @ 2 million . The film also had the third highest midnight gross of all time , behind The Twilight Saga : Eclipse and The Twilight Saga : New Moon , which grossed \$ 30 million and \$ 26 @. @ 3 million , respectively . The film broke the record for the highest midnight gross in IMAX , with \$ 1 @. @ 4 million in box office sales , surpassing Eclipse , which grossed \$ 1 million . All of these records were later topped in 2011 by the film 's sequel , Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 .

In North America , the film grossed \$ 61 @. @ 7 million on its opening day , marking the sixth highest single day gross ever at the time . It became the highest opening day for a Harry Potter film in the series , a record previously held by Half @-@ Blood Prince with \$ 58 @. @ 2 million , until it was broken by Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 with \$ 92 @. @ 1 million . The film grossed a total of \$ 125 million in its opening weekend , marking the largest opening for the franchise , previously held by Goblet of Fire and later topped by its sequel Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 . It also was the second biggest November opening ever at the time , behind The Twilight Saga : New Moon 's \$ 142 @. @ 8 million , the ninth biggest weekend opening for a film of all time at the North American box office , and the second biggest opening weekend for a 2010 film in the United States and Canada behind Iron Man 2 's \$ 128 @. @ 1 million . The film stayed at the top of the box office for two weeks , grossing \$ 75 million over the five @-@ day Thanksgiving weekend , bringing its total to \$ 219 @. @ 1 million .

In the UK , Ireland , and Malta , the film broke records for the highest Friday gross (£ 5 @. @ 9 million) , Saturday gross (£ 6 @. @ 6 million) , and Sunday gross (£ 5 @. @ 7 million) . Additionally , the film set the largest single day gross (£ 6 @. @ 6 million) and the largest opening three @-@ day gross (£ 18 @, @ 319 @, @ 721) , a record previously held by Quantum of Solace , which grossed £ 15 @. @ 4 million . As of 13 February 2011 , Part 1 has grossed £ 52 @, @ 404 @, @ 464 (\$ 86 @, @ 020 @, @ 929) , becoming the second highest @-@ grossing 2010 release in the country , behind Toy Story 3 (£ 73 @, @ 405 @, @ 113) .

Outside North America , the film grossed an estimated \$ 205 million in its opening weekend , becoming the sixth highest of all time , the highest for a 2010 release , and the second highest for a Harry Potter movie , behind only Half @-@ Blood Prince . Globally , the film grossed 30 million in its opening weekend , ranking seventh on the all @-@ time chart .

It was the highest grossing 2010 film in Indonesia (\$ 6 @, @ 149 @, @ 448) , Singapore (\$ 4 @, @ 546 @, @ 240) , Thailand (\$ 4 @, @ 933 @, @ 136) , Belgium and Luxembourg (\$ 8 @, @ 944 @, @ 329) , France and the Maghreb region (\$ 51 @, @ 104 @, @ 397) , Germany (\$ 61 @, @ 430 @, @ 098) , the Netherlands (\$ 13 @, @ 790 @, @ 585) , Norway (\$ 7 @, @ 144 @, @ 020) , Sweden (\$ 11 @, @ 209 @, @ 387) , and Australia (\$ 41 @, @ 350 @, @ 865) . In total overseas earnings , it surpassed The Philosopher 's Stone (\$ 657 @. @ 2 million) to become the highest grossing Harry Potter film overseas .

On 7 April 2011 , Part 1 ended its run with \$ 295 @, @ 983 @, @ 305 in the United States and Canada , making it the fifth highest grossing film of 2010 in these regions , and \$ 664 @, @ 300 @, @ 000 from other countries around the world , for a worldwide total of \$ 960 @, @ 283 @, @ 305 , making it the third highest grossing film of 2010 worldwide behind Toy Story 3 and Alice in Wonderland , as well as the 31st highest grossing film of all time worldwide and the third highest grossing Harry Potter film in the series behind The Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 and The Philosopher 's Stone .

Due to the success of the sequel in Germany , Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 could return to No. 9 on the country 's Cinema Charts with 28 @,@ 000 viewers in July 2011 .

= = = Critical response = = =

Deathly Hallows Part 1 received generally positive reviews . Review aggregation website Rotten Tomatoes gives the film as score of 78 % based on 250 reviews , with an average score of 7 @.@ 1 / 10 . The site 's consensus reads , " It can 't help but feel like the prelude it is , but Deathly Hallows : Part I is a beautifully filmed , emotionally satisfying penultimate instalment for the Harry Potter series . " On Metacritic , which assigns a normalised rating out of 100 based on reviews from critics , the film has a score of 65 (indicating " generally favourable reviews ") based on 41 reviews . The film scored 87 / 100 from professional critics at the Broadcast Film Critics Association .

The UK 's Daily Telegraph also gave the film a positive review , remarking , " For the most part the action romps along , spurred by some impressive special effects , " adding , " It 's just slightly disappointing that , with the momentum having been established so effectively , we now have to wait until next year to enjoy the rest of the ride . " Roger Ebert awarded the first part three out of four stars , praising the cast and calling it " a handsome and sometimes harrowing film . . . completely unintelligible for anyone coming to the series for the first time " . Scott Bowles of USA Today called it , " Menacing and meditative , Hallows is arguably the best instalment of the planned eight @-@ film franchise , though audiences who haven 't kept up with previous chapters will be hopelessly lost " , while Lisa Schwarzbaum of Entertainment Weekly likewise praised the film as " the most cinematically rewarding chapter yet . " In a review for the Orlando Sentinel , Roger Moore proclaimed Part I as " Alternately funny and touching , it 's the best film in the series , an Empire Strikes Back for these wizards and their wizarding world . And those effects ? They 're so special you don 't notice them . " Ramin Setoodeh of Newsweek gave a negative review , saying that " They 've taken one of the most enchanting series in contemporary fiction and sucked out all the magic . . . while Rowling 's stories are endlessly inventive , Potter onscreen just gives you a headache . " Lou Lumenick of the New York Post found the film to be " Beautifully shot but a soulless cash machine , " and that it " delivers no dramatic payoff , no resolution and not much fun . "

= = = Accolades = = =

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 1 was nominated for Best Art Direction and Best Visual Effects at the 83rd Academy Awards . It is the second film in the Harry Potter film series to be nominated for a Visual Effects Oscar (the previous one being Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban) . The film was long @-@ listed for eight different categories including Best Cinematography , Production Design and Original Score at the 64th BAFTA awards , and ultimately was nominated for Best Special Visual Effects and Make @-@ up .