



# So Ji-sub

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*In this [Korean name](#), the family name is [So](#).*

**So Ji-sub** (born November 4, 1977) is a South Korean actor. After making his entertainment debut as a jeans model, he became known for his leading roles in the television series *[Something Happened in Bali](#)* (2004), *[I'm Sorry, I Love You](#)* (2004), *[Cain and Abel](#)* (2009), *[Phantom](#)* (2012), *[Master's Sun](#)* (2013), and *[Oh My Venus](#)* (2015–16), as well as the film *[Rough Cut](#)* (2008). So has also released several [hip hop](#) EPs.<sup>[3]</sup>

## Early life [\[ edit \]](#)

So Ji-sub was born on November 4, 1977, in [Seoul](#), South Korea and moved to Incheon when he was in his third year of [elementary school](#).<sup>[1]</sup> Self-described as introverted and insecure in his childhood and teenage years, So trained to become a professional [swimmer](#)<sup>[4]</sup> for 11 years and bagged the bronze medal at the Korean National Games.<sup>[5]</sup> His parents divorced at a young age. He has one older sister who lives in Australia.

He tried out [modeling](#) simply because he wanted to pose alongside hip-hop artist [Kim Sung-jae](#), who was the celebrity face for a clothing brand at the time. "I was never really interested in becoming a celebrity," So said. "My life was all about swimming and hip-hop music. I did modeling because I wanted to see Kim and also because it was the best way to earn good easy money."<sup>[4][6]</sup>

## Career [\[ edit \]](#)

### Acting [\[ edit \]](#)

So Ji-sub



So in October 2011

<b>Born</b>	November 4, 1977 <div>(age 47)</div> <div><a href="#">Seoul</a>, South Korea<sup>[1]</sup></div>
<b>Occupation(s)</b>	Actor, rapper
<b>Years active</b>	1995–present
<b>Agent</b>	51K
<b>Spouse</b>	<div><span>Cho Eun-jung<span> </span>(m.<span> </span>2020)</span><sup>[2]</sup></div>

#### Korean name

<a href="#">Hangul</a>	소지섭
<a href="#">Hanja</a>	蘇志燮
<a href="#">Revised</a>	<i>So Jiseop</i>
<a href="#">Romanization</a>	
<a href="#">McCune–Reischauer</a>	<i>So Chisŏp</i>

So was chosen as a model for jeans brand 292513=STORM in

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1995,<sup>[7]</sup> then made his acting debut in the [sitcom](#) *Three Guys*

and *Three Girls* and the [television drama](#) *Model*.<sup>[8]</sup> But whereas fellow 292513=STORM model [Song Seung-heon](#) quickly rose to stardom, So had difficulty raising his profile.<sup>[9]</sup> He appeared in small roles on television throughout the late 1990s and early 2000s,<sup>[10]</sup> and started to gain popularity when he was cast as the male second lead in *Glass Slippers* in 2002.<sup>[11]</sup> He played his first lead role in the time travel historical drama *Thousand Years of Love*.<sup>[12]</sup>

So began to rise to fame with 2004 hit drama *What Happened in Bali* <sup>[13][14]</sup> At that time, So thought he would end up being a supporting actor. But later that year, he had his breakout role as a tragic hero in the critically acclaimed melodrama *I'm Sorry, I Love You*.<sup>[15][16]</sup> It established him as a top star in Korea,<sup>[17]</sup> as well as [all over Asia](#).<sup>[18][9][19]</sup> In a 2009 interview, So said he still considers the two the best television dramas in his filmography.<sup>[20]</sup>

So enlisted for [mandatory military service](#) in 2005 as a public relations officer with the [Mapo District Office](#),<sup>[21]</sup> and was discharged on April 27, 2007.<sup>[22]</sup> He made his comeback in [Jang Hoon](#)'s directorial debut *Rough Cut*, in which he played a gangster who dreams of becoming an actor.<sup>[23]</sup> Because of the film's low budget, So and costar [Kang Ji-hwan](#) decided to invest their fees back into the movie, and were credited as producers.<sup>[24]</sup> So's performance was well received by audiences and critics, and the film became a surprise box office hit.<sup>[9][25]</sup>

In 2009, So attempted to break into the Japanese and Chinese markets. In *I am GHOST*, an [action](#) drama that aired in 24 five-minute episodes on Japan's mobile-exclusive broadcaster [BeeTV](#), he played a mysterious killer on the run with a high school girl.<sup>[26][27]</sup> So spoke no lines in the mobile drama, and was "worried whether (their) emotions would be delivered just through (their) motions." The year before, he had appeared in a supporting role as a monster in the Japanese [manga](#) live-action adaptation *GeGeGe No Kitaro 2: Kitaro and the Millenium Curse*.<sup>[28][29]</sup>

So starred opposite [Zhang Ziyi](#) in the Chinese [romantic comedy](#) *Sophie's Revenge*, saying, "I wanted to do a bright and cheery role because I've played so many sad and gloomy ones."<sup>[30][31]</sup> He later signed with a Chinese talent agency, ATN Entertainment.<sup>[32][33]</sup> So then returned to Korean television with *Cain and Abel*, about two doctor brothers with an intense sibling rivalry.<sup>[34]</sup> His performance received critical acclaim, and won him Best Actor at the 2009 Grimae Awards, an honorable award chosen by directors in every broadcasting station in Korea.<sup>[35]</sup>

In 2010 So headlined the big-budget [Korean War](#) epic *Road No. 1*, but despite high expectations, the series tanked in the ratings, averaging 6% for its entire run.<sup>[36][37][38][39][40]</sup>

So then played a boxer who falls in love with a blind girl in romantic melodrama *Always* (Korean title: *Only You*), directed by auteur [Song Il-gon](#).<sup>[41][42]</sup> It was the opening film of the 2011 [Busan International Film Festival](#).<sup>[43][44]</sup>

After portraying a workaholic detective in the cyber criminal investigative service in TV [procedural](#) *Phantom*,<sup>[45][46][47]</sup> So starred in the film *A Company Man*, about a hitman in a killer-for-hire company who, after he falls in love and decides he wants out of his job, finds himself the target of his former colleagues.<sup>[4][48][49][50]</sup>

Later that year he starred in *Master's Sun*, a horror-romantic comedy written by the [Hong sisters](#). Known for his melodramatic roles, So made an acting transformation in *Master's Sun*, playing a character with charm.<sup>[51]</sup> The drama was a commercial hit and renewed his domestic and international popularity.<sup>[52]</sup> So then starred in another romantic comedy series *Oh My Venus*, about a celebrity trainer who helps a lawyer lose weight and find her inner beauty as they heal each other's emotional scars.<sup>[53][54]</sup>

In 2017, So starred in the film *The Battleship Island*, which depicts the unknown history behind the actual Hashima Island, where thousands of conscripted Joseon people were forced to work to death during the Japanese colonial era.<sup>[55]</sup> He plays Gyeongseong's best fighter who brought peace to the entire Jongno district.<sup>[56]</sup>

In 2018, So starred alongside [Son Ye-jin](#) in the romance film *Be with You*, based on the Japanese novel of the same name.<sup>[57][58]</sup> The same year, he returned to the small screen with spy comedy drama *My Secret Terrius*.<sup>[59][60][61]</sup> So won his first major award, the "Daesang (Grand Prize)" at the [MBC Drama Awards](#) for his performance.<sup>[62]</sup>

In 2022, he starred in [MBC medical-legal](#) drama *Doctor Lawyer* in the title role as a genius double-board surgeon turned lawyer<sup>[63]</sup> and appeared in [Choi Dong-hoon](#)'s science fiction action film *Alienoid*.<sup>[64]</sup>

## Book and music releases [\[ edit \]](#)

In 2010, So published his [photo-essay](#) collection, *So Ji-sub's Journey*. The volume covers stories and photos over the past 13 years since his debut, using unpretentious language and sensitive photography taken during So's trips to the [DMZ](#) and Gangwon Province. The usually taciturn and stoic actor revealed his inner thoughts throughout the book, with essays on his favorite number 51 (reflected in the name of his company - it means a 50-50 probability then believing just 1% more; the K stands for Korea), [Romeo and Juliet](#), why he likes rainy days, and stories about his interactions with other celebrities and artists such as [Tiger JK](#). Within ten days of its release, the book hit the bestseller list, and entered its third printing.<sup>[65][66]</sup>

A professed longtime [hip-hop](#) lover,<sup>[4]</sup> So rapped for two original tracks – "Lonely Life" and "Foolish Love" – under the artist [pseudonym](#) "G" or "G-Sonic" for the [soundtracks](#) of *Rough Cut* and *Cain and Abel* respectively.<sup>[67]</sup> In 2011, he released another digital [single](#) *Pick Up Line* under his own name. Two teaser videos were released, the first one described as a comedic version that featured guest stars [Jung Joon-ha](#) (who is a close friend of So's) and [Kim Byung-man](#) (whom So named as one of his favorite comedians). The single, along with the music video itself, was released on February 17, 2011, but recorded low sales.<sup>[68]</sup>

In 2011, he published a second book of [photo-essays](#) titled *Only You with So Ji-sub* featuring photographs, notes and commentary on playing his movie character.<sup>[69][70]</sup>

On March 14, 2012, he launched a magazine for his fans titled *SONiCe*; inside were So's suggested dating ideas and locations, favorite food and books, and more stories through his eyes. Its name is a combination of "so nice" and "Sonic," which is So's nickname.<sup>[71][72][73]</sup>

So's first mini-album (or **EP**), *Corona Borealis* was released in March 2012. It featured collaborations with songwriter Kim Kun-woo, vocal trainer Mellow, **soprano** Han Kyung-mi, and singers **Huh Gak** and **Bobby Kim**. Bobby Kim complimented So's rapping in their duet track *That Day, a Year Ago*, saying, "So has a talent in feeling the groove and it's as good as his acting skills."<sup>[74][75]</sup> So also starred in a music video of the album's title song "Some Kind of Story".<sup>[76]</sup>

In January 2013, So released another rap EP titled *6 PM...Ground*, and his recording process aired on *Music Triangle* as part of **Mnet**'s *Collabo One* project.<sup>[77][78]</sup> The four songs of the album were combined to make a 12-minute music drama starring So, **Park Shin-hye** and **Yoo Seung-ho**; which was also re-edited into individual music videos for each track.<sup>[79][80]</sup>

In June 2014, So released his third **electro**-hip-hop EP titled *18 Years*, which represents how long he has been in the industry since he debuted as an actor. He wrote and composed the title track (featuring the vocals of singer Satbyeol), and the other two tracks were collaborations with hip-hop group Soul Dive.<sup>[81]</sup> He released another single in July 2015 titled *So Ganzi*, his second collaboration with Soul Dive.<sup>[82]</sup>

## Other ventures  [edit]

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### Ambassadorship  [edit]

So was named the goodwill ambassador of **Gangwon Province** in an effort to boost tourism there,<sup>[83]</sup> and a 51 kilometer-long trail in the province was named "So Ji-sub Road", which was unveiled to the public on May 20, 2012. He was the first Korean actor to have an entire road named after him.<sup>[84][85]</sup>

He was also named promotional ambassadors for cyber crime prevention by the National Police Agency, helping to raise awareness and prevent cyber crimes such as hacking and Internet fraud by taking part in various promotional activities.<sup>[86]</sup>

### Investments  [edit]

So is the owner of the **Apgujeong-dong** branch of CJ Foodville's A Twosome Place.<sup>[87][88]</sup>

He has also helped imported foreign films, having invested in art-house films such as the U.S.-British-French co-production *Philomena* (2014), the Chinese film *Coming Home* (2014), the Japanese crime thriller *The World of Kanako* (2014), and the American horror film *A Girl Walks Home Alone at Night* (2015).<sup>[89]</sup>

## Personal life  [edit]

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In 2019, So confirmed that he was in a relationship with former announcer and reporter Jo Eun-jung.<sup>[90]</sup> On April 7, 2020, the actor's label 51K confirmed that he had registered his marriage with Jo.<sup>[91]</sup>

# Filmography [ edit ]

## Film [ edit ]

Year	Title	Role	Notes	Ref.
2002	<i>Can't Live Without Robbery</i>	Choi Kang-jo		[92]
2008	<i>Kitaro and the Millennium Curse</i>	Yaksha	Japanese production	
	<i>Rough Cut</i>	Gang-pae		
	<i>U-Turn</i>	Ji-sub	Short film	[93]
2009	<i>Sophie's Revenge</i>	Jeff	Chinese and Korean co-production	
2011	<i>Always</i>	Jang Cheol-min		
2012	<i>A Company Man</i>	Ji Hyeong-do		
2015	<i>The Throne</i>	King Jeongjo	Cameo	[94]
2017	<i>The Battleship Island</i>	Choi Chil-sung		
2018	<i>Be with You</i>	Jung Woo-jin		
2022	<i>Alienoid</i>	Moon Do-seok		[95][96]
	<i>Confession</i>	Yoo Min-ho		[97][98]

## Television series [ edit ]

Year	Title	Role	Notes	Ref.
1996	<i>Three Guys and Three Girls</i>	Kim Chul-soo		
1997	<i>Model</i>	Song Kyung-chul		
1998	<i>MBC Best Theater:</i> "What You Cherish Can Never Be Forgotten"	Dong-woo	Episode 316	[99]
	<i>I Hate You, But It's Fine</i>	Chul-min		
2000	<i>Love Story:</i> "Miss Hip-hop & Mr. Rock"	Oh Chul-soo	Episode 6	
	<i>MBC Best Theater:</i> "Have You Ever Said 'I Love You'?"	Kyung-min	Episode 389	
	<i>Wang Rung's Land</i>	Park Min-ho		[100]
	<i>Because of You</i>	Yoon Min-ki		
	<i>Joa, Joa</i>	Park Ji-sub		[101]



	<i>Cheers for the Women</i>	Hwang Joon-won		[102]
2001	<i>Long Way</i>	Ki-hyun		[103]
	<i>Delicious Proposal</i>	Jang Hee-moon		[10]
	<i>Law Firm</i>	Choi Jang-goon		[104]
2002	<i>We Are Dating Now</i>	Choi Kyo-in		[105]
	<i>Glass Slippers</i>	Park Chul-woong		
2003	<i>Thousand Years of Love</i>	General Guishil Ari / Kang In-chul		
2004	<i>Something Happened in Bali</i>	Kang In-wook		
	<i>I'm Sorry, I Love You</i>	Cha Moo-hyuk		
2009	<i>Cain and Abel</i>	Lee Cho-in / Oh Kang-ho		
	<i>I am GHOST</i>	Ghost	Japanese drama	
2010	<i>Road No. 1</i>	Lee Jang-woo		
2012	<i>Phantom</i>	Kim Woo-hyun / Park Gi-young		
2013	<i>Master's Sun</i>	Joo Joong-won		
2015	<i>Warm and Cozy</i>	Jeju Island restaurant owner	Cameo; episode 1	[106]
2015–2016	<i>Oh My Venus</i>	Kim Young-ho / John Kim		
2018	<i>My Secret Terrius</i>	Kim Bon		
2022	<i>Doctor Lawyer</i>	Han Yi-han		[107]

## Web series [ edit ]

Year	Title	Role	Ref.
2014–2015	<i>One Sunny Day</i>	Kim Ji-ho	[108]
2025	<i>Mercy For None</i>	Gi-jun	[109]

## Television show [ edit ]

Year	Title	Role	Notes	Ref.
1997	<i>Decision Inkigayo 43</i>	MC		

1999	<i>Declaration of Freedom Today is Saturday</i>			
1999–2000	<i>Music Camp</i> <sup>[ko]</sup>		with <span>Chae Rim</span>	<sup>[110]</sup>
2018	<i>Little Cabin in the Woods</i>	Cast member	with <span>Park Shin-hye</span>	<sup>[111]</sup>

## Music video appearances <sup>[ edit ]</sup>

Year	Title	Artist	Ref.
1997	"Goodbye Yesterday"	<span>Turbo</span>	
1999	"For You"	Ryu Chan	
2001	"The End"	Lee Hyun-woo	
	"Beautiful Days"	Jang Hye-jin	<sup>[112]</sup>
2005	"Mr. Flower"	<span>Jo Sung-mo</span>	<sup>[113]</sup>
2008	"Lonely Life"	G	
2010	"Smiling Goodbye"	<span>Soya n Sun</span> <sup>[ko]</sup>	<sup>[114]</sup>
2011	"Pick Up Line"	So Ji-sub (feat. Shi Jin)	
	"Take"	<span>Seo In-guk</span>	<sup>[115]</sup>
2012	"Some Kind of Story"	So Ji-sub (feat. <span>Huh Gak</span> and Mellow)	<sup>[116]</sup> <sup>[117]</sup>
2013	"Picnic"	So Ji-sub (feat. <span>Younha</span> )	
	"6PM...Ground"	So Ji-sub (feat. Mellow)	<sup>[118]</sup>
2014	"18 Years"	So Ji-sub (feat. Satbyeol)	
	"Boy Go"	So Ji-sub (feat. Soul Dive)	

## Discography <sup>[ edit ]</sup>

## Extended plays <sup>[ edit ]</sup>

**List of extended plays, with selected details, chart positions, and sales**

Title	Album details	Peak chart positions	Sales
		<span>KOR</span> <sup>[119]</sup>	
<i>Corona Borealis</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Released: March 13, 2012</li> <li>Label: 51K &amp; <span>CJ E&amp;M</span></li> <li>Formats: CD, digital download</li></ul>	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>KOR: 5,142<sup>[120]</sup></li></ul>

	<div> <div>Track listing</div> <div>[show]</div> </div>		
<div>6PM... Ground</div>	<div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Released: January 23, 2013</li> <li>Label: 51K &amp; <a>CJ E&amp;M</a></li> <li>Formats: CD, digital download</li> </ul> <div> <div>Track listing</div> <div>[show]</div> </div> </div>	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KOR: 4,824+<sup>[121]</sup></li> </ul>
<div>18 Years</div>	<div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Released: June 24, 2014</li> <li>Label: 51K &amp; <a>CJ E&amp;M</a></li> <li>Formats: CD, digital download</li> </ul> <div> <div>Track listing</div> <div>[show]</div> </div> </div>	—	—
<div>"—" denotes releases that did not chart or were not released in that region.</div>			

## Single albums [[edit](#)]

List of single albums, with selected details, chart positions, and sales

Title	Album details	Peak chart positions	Sales
		<div>KOR</div> <div><sup>[122]</sup></div>	
<div> <div><i>Lonely Life</i> (고독한 인생)</div> </div>	<div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Released: August 13, 2008</li> <li>Label: Kingpin Entertainment</li> <li>Formats: Digital download</li> </ul> <div> <div>Track listing</div> <div>[show]</div> </div> </div>	<div>[A]</div>	<div>[B]</div>
<div> <div><i>Foolish Love</i> (미련한 사랑)</div> </div>	<div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Released: November 4, 2008</li> <li>Label: <a>SBS Contents Hub</a></li> <li>Formats: Digital download</li> </ul> <div> <div>Track listing</div> <div>[show]</div> </div> </div>		
<div> <div><i>Pick Up Line</i></div> </div>	<div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Released: February 17, 2011</li> <li>Label: <a>CJ E&amp;M</a></li> <li>Formats: CD, digital download</li> </ul> <div> <div>Track listing</div> <div>[show]</div> </div> </div>	—	—
<div> <div><i>So Ganzì</i></div> </div>	<div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Released: July 22, 2015</li> <li>Label: 51K &amp; <a>CJ E&amp;M</a></li> <li>Formats: CD, digital download</li> </ul> </div>	—	—



	<b>Track listing</b>	<span>[show]</span>	
"—" denotes releases that did not chart or were not released in that region.			

## Singles  [ [edit](#) ]

### As lead artist  [ [edit](#) ]

**List of singles, with selected chart positions, year, and albums**

Title	Year	Peak chart positions	Sales (DL)	Album
		KOR [123]		
"Pick Up Line" (Feat. Shi Jin)	2011	62	—	<i>Pick Up Line</i>
"Some Kind of Story" (feat. <span>Huh Gak</span> and Mellow)	2012	54	—	<i>Corona Borealis</i>
"Picnic" (feat. <span>Younha</span> )	2013	23	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>KOR: 175,312+<sup>[124]</sup></li></ul></div>	<i>6PM... Ground</i>
"Eraser" (feat. Mellow)		56	—	
"18 Years" (feat. Satbyeol)	2014	81	—	<i>18 Years</i>
"So Love" <sup>[125]</sup>		—	—	Non-album singles
"Cola Baby" <sup>[126]</sup>	2015	—		
"Are You With Me?"	2017	—		
"—" denotes releases that did not chart or were not released in that region.				

### Soundtrack appearances  [ [edit](#) ]

Title	Year	Peak chart positions	Sales (DL)	Album
		<span>KOR</span> <div><span>[127]</span></div>		
"Foolish Love"	2009	—	—	<i>Cain and Abel</i> OST
"The Sound Of Memory"	2010	—	—	<i>Road No. 1</i> OST
"—" denotes releases that did not chart or were not released in that region.				

## Books  [ [edit](#) ]

Year	Title	Publisher	Notes
2010	<i>So Ji-sub's Journey</i>	Sallim	<a href="#">photo-essays</a>
2011	<i>Only You with So Ji-sub</i>	51K	<a href="#">photo-essays</a>
2012	<i>SONICe Vol. 1</i>	51K & <a href="#">CJ E&amp;M</a>	magazine

## Awards and nominations [\[ edit \]](#)

**Name of the award ceremony, year presented, category, nominee of the award, and the result of the nomination**

Award ceremony	Year	Category	Nominee / Work	Result	Ref.
<a href="#">APAN Star Awards</a>	<a href="#">2012</a>	Excellence Award, Actor	<i><a href="#">Phantom</a></i>	Nominated	
	<a href="#">2013</a>	Top Excellence Award, Actor	<i><a href="#">Master's Sun</a></i>	Nominated	
<a href="#">Asian Film Awards</a>	<a href="#">2009</a>	<a href="#">Best Newcomer</a>	<i><a href="#">Rough Cut</a></i>	Nominated	
<a href="#">Baeksang Arts Awards</a>	2004	<a href="#">Most Popular Actor – Television</a>	<i><a href="#">Something Happened in Bali</a></i>	Won	<a href="#">[128]</a>
	<a href="#">2005</a>	<a href="#">Best Actor – Television</a>	<i><a href="#">I'm Sorry, I Love You</a></i>	Won	<a href="#">[129]</a>
	<a href="#">2009</a>	<a href="#">Best New Actor – Film</a>	<i><a href="#">Rough Cut</a></i>	Won	<a href="#">[130]</a>
	<a href="#">2010</a>	<a href="#">Best Actor – Television</a>	<i><a href="#">Cain and Abel</a></i>	Nominated	
<a href="#">Best Jeanist Awards</a>	2008	Best Jeanist, International Category	So Ji-sub	Won	<a href="#">[131]</a>
<a href="#">Blue Dragon Film Awards</a>	<a href="#">2008</a>	<a href="#">Best New Actor</a>	<i><a href="#">Rough Cut</a></i>	Won	<a href="#">[132]</a>
<a href="#">Buil Film Awards</a>	2009	<a href="#">Best Dressed</a>	So Ji-sub	Won	<a href="#">[133]</a>
		<a href="#">Best New Actor</a>	<i><a href="#">Rough Cut</a></i>	Won	<a href="#">[134]</a>
<a href="#">Busan Film Critics Awards</a>	2009	<a href="#">Best New Actor</a>	<i><a href="#">Rough Cut</a></i>	Won	<a href="#">[135]</a>
<a href="#">Donga TV Korea Lifestyle Awards</a>	2010	<a href="#">Best Dressed Male of the Year</a>	So Ji-sub	Won	<a href="#">[136]</a>
<a href="#">Fashion Model Awards</a>	2001	Ms. & Mr. Davidoff Award	So Ji-sub	Won	<a href="#">[137]</a>
<a href="#">Grand Bell Awards</a>	<a href="#">2009</a>	<a href="#">Best New Actor</a>	<i><a href="#">Rough Cut</a></i>	Nominated	

	2010	Achievement in Cultural Exchange	So Ji-sub	Won	[138][139]
Grimae Awards	2009	Best Actor	<i>Cain and Abel</i>	Won	[140][35]
KBS Drama Awards	2004	Best Couple Award	So Ji-sub (with Im Soo-jung) <i>I'm Sorry, I Love You</i>	Won	[141]
		Excellence Award, Actor	<i>I'm Sorry, I Love You</i>	Won	[141]
		Netizen Award		Won	
		Popularity Award		Won	
	2015	Best Couple Award	So Ji-sub (with Shin Min-a) <i>Oh My Venus</i>	Won	[142]
		Top Excellence Award, Actor	<i>Oh My Venus</i>	Won	[143]
		Excellence Award, Actor in a Miniseries		Nominated	
Korea Broadcasting Grand Prix Award	2009	Actor of the Year in Broadcasting	<i>Cain and Abel</i>	Won	[144]
Korea Drama Awards	2012	Top Excellence Award, Actor	<i>Phantom</i>	Nominated	
	2016	Top Excellence Award, Actor	<i>Oh My Venus</i>	Nominated	
Korean Association of Film Critics Awards	2008	Best Actor	<i>Rough Cut</i>	Won	[145]
Korean Culture and Entertainment Awards	2011	Grand Prize (Daesang) for Film	<i>Always</i>	Won	[146]
Korean Film Awards	2008	Best Actor	<i>Rough Cut</i>	Nominated	
MBC Drama Awards	2018	Bromance Award	So Ji-sub (with Son Ho-jun and Kang Ki-young) <i>My Secret Terrius</i>	Won	[147]
		Grand Prize (Daesang)	<i>My Secret Terrius</i>	Won	[62]
		Top Excellence Award, Actor in a Wednesday-Thursday Drama		Won	[147]

	<a href="#">2022</a>	Top Excellence Award, Actor in a Miniseries	<i>Doctor Lawyer</i>	Nominated	<a href="#">[148]</a>
New York Asian Film Festival	2009	Rising Star Asia Award	<i>Rough Cut</i>	Won	<a href="#">[149]</a>
SBS Drama Awards	2000	Best New Actor	<i>Joa, Joa, Cheers for the Women</i>	Won	<a href="#">[150]</a>
	2003	Excellence Award, Actor in a Special Planning Drama	<i>Thousand Years of Love</i>	Won	
		Top 10 Stars		Won	<a href="#">[151]</a>
	2004	Top Excellence Award, Actor	<i>Something Happened in Bali</i>	Nominated	
	<a href="#">2009</a>	Top 10 Stars	<i>Cain and Abel</i>	Won	<a href="#">[152]</a>
		Top Excellence Award, Actor		Won	<a href="#">[153]</a>
	<a href="#">2012</a>	Top 10 Stars	<i>Phantom</i>	Won	<a href="#">[154]</a>
		Top Excellence Award, Actor in a Drama Special		Won	
	<a href="#">2013</a>	Top 10 Stars	<i>Master's Sun</i>	Won	<a href="#">[155]</a>
		Top Excellence Award, Actor in a Miniseries		Won	
Style Icon Awards	2010	International Style Icon	So Ji-sub	Won	<a href="#">[156]</a>

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Name of country or organization, year given, and name of honor or award			
Country or organization	Year	Honor / Award	Ref.
<a href="#">Korea Tourism Organization</a>	2011	Special Achievement Award	<a href="#">[157]</a>
<a href="#">National Tax Service</a>	2018	Beautiful Taxpayer	<a href="#">[158]</a> <a href="#">[159]</a>

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Name of publisher, year listed, name of <b>listicle</b> , and placement				
Publisher	Year	Listicle	Placement	Ref.
<i>Forbes</i>	2010	<a href="#">Korea Power Celebrity</a>	35th	<a href="#">[160]</a>
	2012		21st	<a href="#">[161]</a>

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