



NERDFUSION: BEST DISNEY MOVIES.

JvM NERD presents a NERDFusion about the highest-grossing Walt Disney Pictures movies. Hamburg, 16th September, 2022.

D23 EXPO:

Three days full of trailers, sneak peeks, announcements, and more.

Next to new info on upcoming movies like Black Panther: Wakanda Forever, or the fifth sequel of Indiana Jones, the teaser trailer of "The Little Mermaid" was revealed. It will be the next live-action adaptation of a Walt Disney Pictures movie, coming in May 2023. It was received positively by fans and already clicked over 16.5M times.



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D23 FAN CLUB:

Disney's first-ever official club of its kind in the history of Walt Disney.

Brought to life in 2009, D23 was established to have a closer relationship between the Walt Disney Company and their fans. The name consists of "D" standing for Disney and "23" representing Walt Disney's founding year 1923. Next to many activations, one of the fan club's highlights is the D23 Expo which is held every 2 years.



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DISNEY 100 YEARS OF WONDER:

10 decades full of amazing stories.

Disney also revealed new information about Disney 100: The Exhibition. Visitors will see Disney's holy vault and archive of original artworks, artifacts, props, costumes, and other memorabilia. The exhibition will begin in the US on February 18, 2023. Munich will be the international tour's starting point.

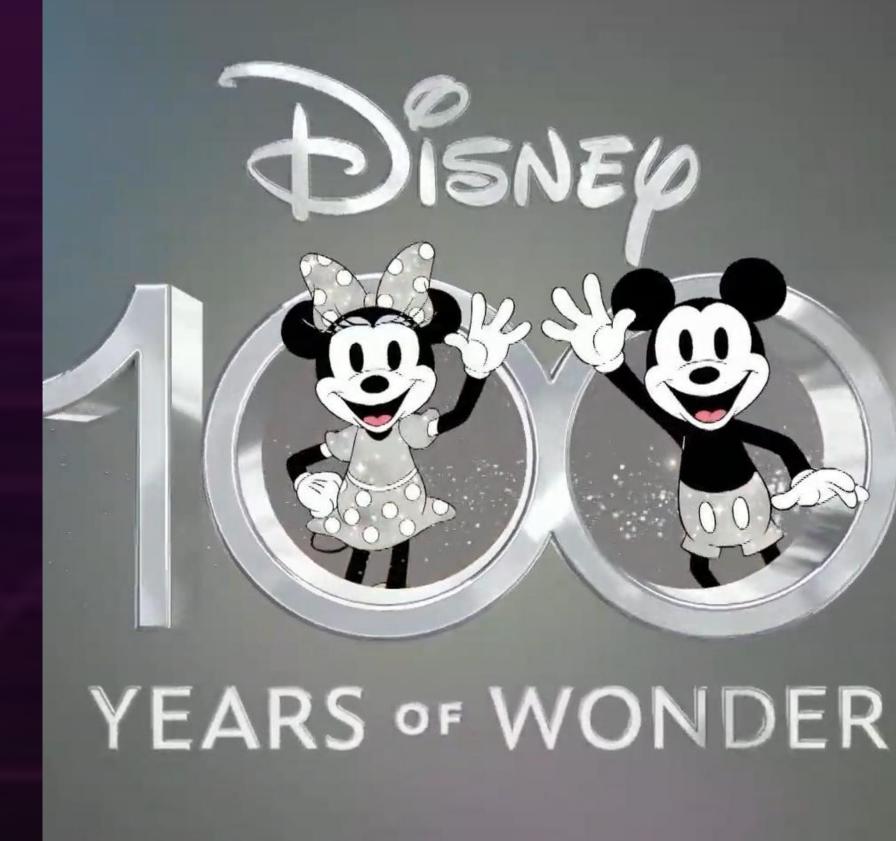


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PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN 4:

Mermaids, eternal life & top 10.

With a gross of over US\$1.04B, Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides is ranked 10th on the list. Similar to other titles of the franchise, it introduced another well-written antagonist, Blackbeard. With a budget of approximately US\$370 million, On Stranger Tides is the most expensive movie ever made.



ALADDIN (2019):

A heavy burden hindered Disney's success of its classic adaptation.

Even before the movie's release, Disney faced criticism from every side. Next to others, the Council on American-Islamic Relations addressed concerns, as the "Aladdin myth is rooted by racism, Orientalism, and Islamophobia". However, an adjusted narration made it less criticized and a successful movie grossing US\$1.05B.



PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN 2:

A jar full of ... success?

Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest didn't only have one of the franchise's most thrilling villains, but also a box office of US\$1.06 billion. Though released in 2006, the story around Davy Jones hunting Captain Jack Sparrow feels timeless. Especially, as it comes along with a great setting and usage of CGI.



TOY STORY 3:

A beloved franchise with continuous popularity and success.

Toy Story features some of the most iconic characters, like Woody or Buzz Lightyear. The movie series also awakens nostalgia for many, as the first movie was released in 1996, and its sequel in 2000. After a 10-year wait, we could finally see the toys on their expedition back home. Met with great popularity, the movie grossed US\$1.06B.



TOY STORY 4:

Building up on the franchise's roots with great narration.

Nine years after the last part of the series, Toy Story 4 was released with yet another success. Topping the most successful part of the franchise, the story about Woody and Forky is now placed on top. Toy Story 4 grossed over US\$1.07 billion, showing the success of a thoroughly structured and well-told story.



INCREDIBLES 2:

An incredible comeback making fans' hearts leap high.

14 years after we saw the Parr family for the first time, the Incredibles came back with their second movie in 2018. It showed great popularity as it had a bigger "first movie to second movie" boost than almost any part 2 ever. With a box office of US\$1.24B, it lived up to the previous award-winning Incredibles One.



BEAUTY & THE BEAST (2017):

US\$255M budget and a strong cast.

The original Beauty & the Beast is one of Disney's most magical movies. With this in mind, Disney wanted to have the live-action adaptation come up to its predecessor. With Emma Watson as the star and the movie being one of the most expensive movies ever made, the expectations were high. And it became a success as it grossed over US\$1.26B.



FROZEN:

A story designed for success to build a magic franchise.

Disney put US\$250 million in production and marketing, gearing Elsa's tale towards a successful launch on various levels. Its box office accumulated US\$1.28M. The song "Let It Go" was watched over 1B times on YouTube and the Frozen soundtrack got sold 4.1 million times. Also, over 3M Elsa and Anna dresses were sold.



FROZEN II:

Elsa, Anna & Co. with a second incredible box office.

Though the first Frozen movie was already a huge success, Disney excelled yet again. Not only is Frozen the second highest-grossing movie of Walt Disney Pictures, but it is ranked 12th among all movies, as it reached US\$1.45 million. Fans are hoping for a third movie of the series, but there was no official release date presented, yet.



THE LION KING (2019):

Remake of the beloved animated musical drama from 1994.

The Lion King's remake smashed box office records, grossing US\$1.65M worldwide. Therefore it is also no surprise that Disney is looking to extend the franchise. Scheduled for 2024, a prequel to the record-breaking title will be released. It's titled "Mufasa: The Lion King", and will display Mufasa's journey from an orphan to the king of the jungle.





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