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## Zombie in the movies: the best films for the thrill

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Zombies do a great job of livening up any movie scenery and they have managed to become a crucial part of contemporary pop culture. Zombies have been paired with robberies, Jane Austen Characters, Virus outbreaks. It is weird to think about why they have become so crucial to movies and animation and all entertainment in general but clearly it is entertaining enough for the movie makers to keep zombie theme alive and relevant. Here are some of the movies that helped established Zombies as a legit and successful movie theme.

## 28 Days Later (2002)

The next film we're going to discuss was filmed in Britain and is a post-apocalyptic horror film, centering around the unfortunate release of an infectious virus that turns out to be highly contagious. The 28 Days Later movie follows four survivors who are trying to maintain the situation and find a way to stop the virus from spreading further and how to protect themselves and survive in this environment. The film was a critical and financial success making \$82.7 million worldwide with a modest budget of \$8 million.

#### Dawn of the Dead (2004)

The Dawn of the Dead we're going to talk about is actually a remake of the 1978 film of the same title. Zack Snyder, who since then has directed many superhero movies becoming one of the highest-paid directors in the industry, decided to revive the zombie apocalypse scenario and put his own twist on it. Dawn of the Dead is what started Snyder's success and the movie is still one of the most beloved zombie installments of all time. The story follows the group of survivors living in the abandoned shopping mall, trying to fight off zombies that are coming at them from every direction.

## **Remains (2011)**

Remains has one of the most unique plots for a zombie movie ever. It depicts a small group of people who managed to survive the zombie apocalypse just because they were in the casino while the outbreak was happening. While the group is busy playing blackjack, the entire human race ends up getting infected. The story takes place in Reno, Nevada and now the small group has to find a way to survive in the world full of zombies.

#### **World War Z (2013)**

World war Z is one of the highest-grossing zombie movies of all time and came out in 2013.

Starring Brad Pitt, the movie follows the zombie outbreak in Philadelphia but these zombies are different because they are attracted to sound. The main character (Brad Pitt) is a former UN employee who gets stuck in this mess with his wife and two daughters. World War Z follows the family as they try to survive and get the situation under control.

## Train to Busan (2016)

South Korea has been on every film buff's radar considering the recent success of the country when it comes to filmmaking. But Korea has been making good movies for decades. Train to Busan is a classic zombie movie, directed by Yeon Sang-ho. The plotline unfolds on the said train when the sudden zombie apocalypse outbreak poses a threat to the country and everyone on the train. This film is a testament that zombie movies really do have a huge audience since it was the first Korean film of the year to get over 10 million sold tickets. The story unfolds as the family tried to save themselves from the zombie apocalypse and get off the train safely.

## Army of the Dead (coming in 2020)

Army of the Dead is the alleged follow-up from Zack Snyder. Following the success of Dawn of the Dead will be released around the end of 2020 and now center around the casino. The group of survivors decided to pull off the greatest heist of all time by robbing a casino, all while dealing with a massive zombie outbreak all throughout Las Vegas. The trailer for the movie isn't out yet, but the excitement is already building among the Snyder and Zombie movie fans in general.



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