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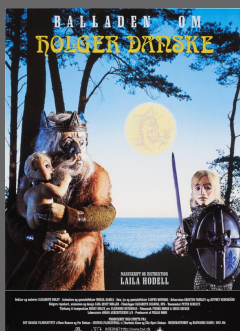
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THE BALLAD OF THE VIKING KING, HOLGER THE DANE

Laila Hodell, Denmark, 1996



82 min. | DK/Feature | Puppet films, Children's films



This puppet animation feature is an adventure that began 1200 years ago: New-born Holger receives his name at the court of Sigfred, king of the Danes, who worship Odin. But to the south Charlemagne, king of Franks, is gathering the tribes into an empire, Christianising heathens and sending troops out from his capital at Aachen (Aix-la-Chapelle) in all directions.

Little Holger is taken hostage when the Danes refuse to submit.

The Danes have other plans; the Vikingplan appears at this time. Holger grows up at the Frankish court, and is trained for the knighthood; his quests take him far and wide, including Spain where the primary enemy of the Franks, the Saracens, still dwell. From Spain his travels take him as far as the Himalayas, only to return to the northern forests once more.

At the end of the film Holger is a grown man who has seen different religions, cultures, affairs of the heart, dreams and the myths that live on inside us.

Basic information

Credits

Music

Materials

Original title	Balladen om Holger Danske
Danish title	Balladen om Holger Danske
Director	Laila Hodell
Screenplay	Laila Hodell
Producer	Ole John
Director of Photography	Casper Høyberg
Editor	Elisabeth Colding
Sound	Peter Schultz
Composer	Pierre Dørge , Irene Becker
Production designer	Mihail Badica , Laila Hodell , Kresten Foerlev , Jeffrey Nedergaard , Ole Paikær
Production country	Denmark
Domestic distribution	Buena Vista International
International sales	Frejas Børn
Technical info	35 mm, 1,66:1 Widescreen, Kodak, Dolby SR
Danish theatrical release	30.08.1996
Cinemas	Palads, Bio 5 (Aalborg), BioCity (Tåstrup), Metropol (Odense), Palads 1-5 (Århus)
Danish rating	Not recommended for children under 7

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