

The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King vs Heartstopper Forever vs Heartstopper Forever - Compare

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Comparing The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King vs Heartstopper Forever vs Heartstopper Forever. The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King leads on expert rating.

Poster unavailable The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King 2003 - 201 min - UA Studio: New Line Cinema Genres: Adventure, Fantasy, Action Language: en Country: US	Poster unavailable Heartstopper Forever 2026 - 114 min Studio: See-Saw Films / Netflix Genres: Romance, Coming-of-Age, Drama Language: en Country: GB	Poster unavailable Heartstopper Forever 2026 - 114 min Studio: See-Saw Films / Netflix Genres: Romance, Drama, Coming-of-Age Language: en Country: GB
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Overview

Specification	The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King	Heartstopper Forever	Heartstopper Forever
Studio	New Line Cinema	See-Saw Films / Netflix	See-Saw Films / Netflix
Franchise	The Lord of the Rings	Heartstopper	Heartstopper
Release Date	2003-12-17	2026-07-17	2026-07-17
Runtime	201 min	114 min	114 min
Certification	UA	-	-
Genres	Adventure, Fantasy, Action	Romance, Coming-of-Age, Drama	Romance, Drama, Coming-of-Age

Cast & Crew

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Director(s)	-	Wash Westmoreland	Wash Westmoreland
Lead Cast	Elijah Wood, Viggo Mortensen, Ian McKellen, Sean Astin, Liv Tyler	Kit Connor, Joe Locke, Yasmin Finney, William Gao, Corinna Brown	Kit Connor, Joe Locke, Yasmin Finney, William Gao, Corinna Brown

Ratings

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Critic Rating	9.5/10	9.0/10	-
Audience Rating	-	-	-
Review Count	0	0	0
Page Views	3	2,024	0

Box Office

Specification	The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King	Heartstopper Forever	Heartstopper Forever
Budget	\$94,000,000	-	-
Worldwide Gross	\$1,156,000,000	-	-
Awards	3	0	0

Streaming

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Available On	FindEdition	Netflix	Netflix

Verdict

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Pros	Historic sweep of 11 Academy Awards; Deeply emotional and satisfying closure for all characters	Confirmed 114-minute runtime; Final chapter of a highly searched Netflix romance; Kit Connor and Joe Locke return as Nic...	Strong existing Heartstopper fanbase; Kit Connor and Joe Locke return for the final chapter; Alice Oseman directly write...
Cons	Extended multiple endings require full emotional investment	The 114-minute film is shorter than a full television season; The story depends heavily on familiarity with the previous...	The story relies heavily on familiarity with the preceding three seasons; A single feature has less screen time than a f...