

Genghis Khan: Lord of Kings

This is the first telling of the epic story of the legendary Genghis Khan who conquered more territory than any warrior on Earth and unified China into the World Superpower that it is today: Shot in English with A-List talent for a Global Market.

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'Genghis Khan: Lord of Kings'

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Logline: The legendary Genghis Khan was the most notorious, misunderstood and most highly worshipped Warrior in history.

Overview: Genghis Khan: Lord of Kings is a four-part TV series. Each season has six episodes, and each episode is complete unto itself. The Khan Dynasty united the Far East and the West. Genghis Khan secured trade routes between China and Europe that culminated with his grandson Kublai Khan becoming the Emperor of China and the arrival of Europeans such as Marco Polo. This is not just a story about a notorious warrior. It's about a Mongol Dynasty that ushered in the modern world.

Season One delineates the rise of young Genghis Khan (Temujin). The season ends with the battle between Khan and his blood-brother, Jamuka. Khan's victory allows him to unite all the Mongolian tribes.

Season Two follows Khan as he continues to unify the Mongols. It ends with Khan attacking and defeating the Chin Emperor. For the first time, Khan and the Mongols declare their independence.

Season Three shows Khan's expansion to the West. Khan defeats the powerful Muslim Empire of Khwarazmian, the Tartars and extends his dominance as far west as Eastern Europe. The season ends with the death of Khan as he prepares for his final assault on China.

Season Four upon the aftermath of Khan's death, Khan's sons struggle to take over their father's Empire. The season culminates with the birth of Kublai Khan, grandson of Genghis Khan and first Mongol Emperor of China. **Note:** The series can be extended to another three to four seasons with the reign of Kublai Khan and Marco Polo.

Synopsis: A man, hardened by a brutal childhood, becomes the greatest conqueror the world has ever known. Genghis Khan (born Temujin) was raised in the steppes of northern Mongolia. His formative years were spent within the shadow of the Great Wall, behind which ruled the Chin Emperor. Aided by his ferocious enforcer, General Zhang-Wu, the Emperor manipulates the Mongolian tribes, pitting them against one another when it suits his needs. As a youth, Khan sees his father murdered on the orders of the Emperor. Khan himself is made Chief at eleven, which causes most of the tribe to leave. Khan's family must fend for itself. Young Khan is later captured by a rival tribe and made a slave. He escapes slavery and returns to his family as a young man. He marries Borte (his family arranged wife), only to have her stolen by rival Merkits after the ceremony. With the help of his brothers and stout allies, Khan rescues Borte. He takes revenge on those who have wronged him. With the aid of Carpini, his learned mentor, and his generals, Khan expands his empire with terror and guile. His conquests stretch from the Middle East across Asia and into Russia. Carpini tells Khan, "History may not be kind to you." Khan wisely answers, "You may document history, scholar. I create it." Khan evolves into a worshipped conqueror who unites all the tribes against the Emperor. This struggle culminates in the ultimate battle between Khan and the Emperor's mighty army led by Zhang-Wu. Khan's victory revenges his father's death and liberates the Mongols. This epic tale covers three generations, thousands of miles, splendid armies and military tactics that use camels, horses and elephants in spectacular battles. Khan's life is a heroic and unforgettable story for the ages.

Characters & Proposed Cast:

Genghis Khan: Driven by a lustful thirst for revenge, Khan can be merciless as a warrior. However, as a ruler he later sees the wisdom of foreign alliances, culture, trade and religious freedom for all. Like the great figures throughout history, Khan is haunted by his past and driven by destiny. (Jason Momoa, Lewis Tan)

Jamuka: Khan's best friend and Anda (blood brother). Driven by his own ambition and seduced by the power of the Emperor, Jamuka would one day lead his own army against Khan. (David Bautista, Andrew Koji)

Bogorchu: Muscular warrior with a keen sense of humor, he becomes fast friends with Khan. Bogorchu enjoys the spoils of war: the women, the treasures. He is a ferocious fighter who wields the heaviest weapons. (David Bautista, Vin Diesel)

Carpini: A traveling missionary from Rome who is spared execution by Khan, he then travels with Khan's army and records his exploits. He soon becomes Khan's mentor and friend. (Benicio Del Torro, Max Ryan, Paul Giamatti, Johnny Depp)

Borte: Khan's bride, kidnapped by a rival tribe and later rescued by Khan: Even though she is nine months pregnant with the kidnapper's child, Borte becomes more than Khan's wife. She is an advisor and a friend. (Ziyi Zhang, Shu Qi, Bingbing)

General Zhang-Wu: Youngest man ever made Commander of the Chinese Army. Training constantly, he is always hungry for battle and thirsty for blood, making him a worthy adversary for Khan. (Jet Li, Andy Lau, Sanada Hiroyuki)

Hoelun: Genghis Khan's mother. Hoelun is a strong-willed woman who is forced to lead the tribe after her husband's assassination and her son's capture. (Vivian Wu, Maggie Cheung, Gong Li, Michelle Yeoh, Vicky Zhao)

The Chin Emperor: The Emperor is a petty, vindictive man, with the might of a great army. (Chow Yun-Fat, Min-sik Choi) **Directors:** Ang Lee, Zhang Yimou, David Leitch, Daniel Lee, Ridley Scott, John Woo, Justin Lin, and Chatri Yukol.