

Summer Rebels

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“ Young Jonas wants to visit his cool grandpa in Slovakia for a summer of fun on the river, but his mom has other plans. Undeterred, Jonas takes off on an adventure of his own in this luminous and lighthearted tale of rebellion, friendship, catastrophe and ultimately, redemption. ”

Synopsis



Rowdy Jonas, 11, longs to spend summer vacation shooting rabbits and exploring the Slovakian countryside with his cool Grandpa Bernard, but his exasperated mother has already made plans to go to the seaside instead. Jonas sneaks away from his home in Dresden to take the train by himself to his grandpa's charming little town in Slovakia. When he arrives, he discovers that cool grandpa has become grumpy grandpa, and Jonas realizes why his mother didn't want him to go there - but the damage is done! Jonas is left on his own while his grumpy grandpa mopes. Luckily, his brave and tomboyish neighbor Alex befriends Jonas and together they create a scheme to raise money for a raft of their own, unleashing a series of dodgy shenanigans. Their illegal racket creates an uproar in the village, lands Grandpa Bernard in jail for a crime he didn't commit, and causes Alex and Jonas' friendship to fray. Will Jonas find a way to repair the messes he's made?

Beautifully shot in the gorgeous summer sunlit landscape, with a charming, uplifting soundtrack, Summer Rebels is a bilingual comedy-adventure that offers humor and warmth for the whole family.

Credits

Director: Martina Saková / **Genre:** Children, Family, Adventure / **Original title:** Sommer-Rebellen / Letní rebeli / **English title:** SUMMER REBELS / **Country of production:** Germany, Slovak Republic / **Year of production:** 2020 / **Length:** 92 min / **Color:** Colour / **Screening format:** DCP 2K DCI Flat (1998x1080) (1:1,85; 5.1, un-encrypted) / **Original language:** Slovak, Czech, German / **Subtitles:** English / **Cast:** Eliáš Vyskočil, Pavel Nový, Liana Pavlíková, Kaya Marie Möller, Szidi Tobias, Jana Ol'ňová / **Scriptwriter:** Sülke Schulz and Martina Saková / **Director of photography:** Jieun Yi / **Production designer:** Miriam Struhárová (SK), Marcus Göppner (DE) / **Editor:** Martin Herold / **Sound design:** Laura Matissek / **Sound:** Alexander Bori and Ján Krnáč / **Music:** Dota Kehr, Bonaparte, Paul Eisenach, Florian Sievers (DE) Billy Barman, Para (SK) / **Producers:** Martin Kleinmichel, Katarína Krnáčová, / **Production company:** Projector23, Silverart / **Supported by:** Die Beauftragte der Bundesregierung für Kultur und Medien, Audiovizuálny Fond, Deutscher Filmförderfonds, Ministerstvo Kultúry SR, Creative Europe Media Programme, Kuratorium junger deutscher Film

Festivals / Awards

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