

# Sherlock Holmes

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Directed by Guy Richie

This is a completely different spin on the deerstalker hat and curly pipe. Seemingly Holmes (Robert Downy Jr) is contemplating shutting up shop when a fresh villain arrives. Lord Blackwood (Mark Strong) who is bent upon causing havoc in Sherlock's life, aided and abetted by his evil sister (Rachel McAdams), he nearly succeeds. Holmes and Dr Watson (Jude Law) fight back as only they can.

This 21st Century version of Conan Doyle's sleuth will thrill some and alarm others of a more purist nature. Downey Jnr is excellent. Jude Law may be questionable, but there could be a new Bond challenger here.

3 stars