

## Valkyrie: Cinema

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What links "napalm in the morning" and an attempt on Adolf Hitler's life in 1944, answer &ndash; Valkyrie. Think about it, all will be revealed. Deep in a German forest in Hitler's Secret lair Colonel Stauffenberg (Tom Cruise) places a briefcase with a bomb inside nearby to the Fuhrer. He exits, the bomb goes off, & the colonel once back in the city sets a plan into action, which aims to round up the SS & Hitler's entire inner circle. Which does start to happen, unfortunately things backfire & Adolf lives. What happens next is tragic but true. Tom Cruise looks like the colonel and acquits himself well, as Brannagh, Izzard, Nighy & Tom Wilkinson all do. The link&hellip; U.S helicopters were playing "Ride of the Valkyrie" as they aimed napalm at the VC in the 1980's movie "Apocalypse Now". The code name for the emergency plan in Valkyrie was just that. And Wagner who wrote the war theme was also Hitler's favourite composer. A little ironic really&hellip; So where's Bin Laden these days? Listening to Wagner maybe&hellip; 3 stars