






RUSSIAN FILMS AT A GLANCE

FORMAT	DOT	 ANIMATION
DVD	RU 002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheburashka (2005, 70 minutes; in Russian with English subtitles). This stop-motion animated series follows the adventures of the loveable, big-eared creature, Cheburashka, and his friends, Crocodile Genady and Old Lady Shapocliak.
		 COMEDY
VHS	RU 007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Cloak of Casanova (1993, 94 minutes; in Russian with no subtitles.) No plot summary available.
		 DRAMA
VHS	002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ballad of a Soldier (1959, 89 minutes: in Russian with English subtitles). This war story details a soldier's seduction of a country girl while visiting his mother. The film also captures the dread, pain and humiliation of war, and its effects on the people.
DVD	RU 001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Barber of Siberia (1998, 180 minutes; in Russian with English subtitles). In this unusual love story, Jane Callahan, writes to her son, a cadet at a military academy. Her memories take us back 20 years to when she arrived in Russia. On her travels, she meets two men who will change her life forever.
VHS	RU 001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burnt by the Sun (1994, 134 minutes; in Russian with English subtitles). Col. Sergei Kotov, his wife and daughter are enjoying life at their beautiful country estate in Stalinist Russia when a mysterious man arrives, shattering their hopes for a peaceful existence. Mitia seems perfectly charming at first — but it soon becomes clear he has a sinister agenda.
VHS	RU 004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life and Extraordinary Adventures of Private Ivan Chonkin (1994, 106 minutes; in Russian with no subtitles). Ivan Chonkin is an inept private in the Soviet army on the cusp of World War Two who first finds himself ordered to guard an airplane in a distant village, then finds himself forgotten by the authorities, and finally remembered and with a vengeance. An absurdist send-up of life in the Red Army.
DVD		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moscow Does Not Believe in Tears (1979, 150 minutes; in Russian with English subtitles). Two-part melodrama about the cruel anonymity of city life: the first half is set in 1958 and charts the interlocking romantic fates of three Russian girls shunned to a workers' dormitory. The second half resumes their stories and lives 20 years later.
DVD		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Russian Ark (2002, 96 minutes; in Russian with English and French subtitles). A spellbinding ode to St. Petersburg's State Hermitage Museum. The camera floats and careens through the lavish corridors of the museum, examining its architectural details while following a dreamlike plot. A cast of 867 actors supplies the action.

		☞ SCIENCE FICTION
VHS	RU 002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aelita: Queen of Mars (1924, 113 minutes; silent with orchestral accompaniment). A Moscow engineer designs a spaceship and travels to Mars to meet the woman who haunts his dreams. He succeeds but finds himself embroiled in a Martian proletarian uprising.
VHS	RU 003	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ivan Vasilievich Changes his Profession (1973, 88 minutes; in Russian with no subtitles). Engineer Shurik is working on a time machine in his apartment. By accident, he sends the superintendent of his apartment building, and a small-time burglar back into the time of Ivan IV.