World War II Films

Aimée & Jaguar (1999) DVD In German with English subtitles

During the allied bombing of Berlin, a dangerous love affair blossoms between a married German woman and a Jewish woman, who happens to be a member of the underground.

Air Force (1943) DVD

The Flying Fortress Mary-Ann and its crew leave San Francisco for Honolulu on a routine training flight the day before Japan's sneak attack on Pearl Harbor. Subsequently, the crew mans the Mary-Ann through action at Wake Island, the Philippines, the Battle of the Coral Sea, and Australia.

Anchors Aweigh (1945) DVD

Two lovesick sailors on shore leave in Hollywood fall hard for the same beautiful singer. The race for Susie's heart leads them both into a series of comical and musical adventures.

Army of Shadows (1969) DVD In French with English subtitles

A civil engineer who is one of the French Resistance's chiefs is given away by a traitor and interned in a camp.

Atonement (2007) DVD

When a young girl catches her sister in a passionate embrace with a childhood friend, her jealousy drives her to tell a lie that will irrevocably change the course of all their lives forever.
**Australia** (2008) DVD

An English aristocrat inherits a large ranch. English cattle barons plot to take her land and she reluctantly joins forces with a rough-hewn cattle drover to protect her ranch. Together they experience four life-altering years, a love affair and the bombing of Darwin during World War II.

**Back to Bataan** (1945)

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**Ballad of a Soldier** (1959) DVD  
In Russian with English subtitles

A soldier earns a ten-day leave to go home to his mother by performing a desperate act of bravery. Along the way, he encounters the horror and frustration of war.

**Band of Brothers** (2001) DVD

Tells the story of Easy Company, 506th Regiment of the 101st Airborne Division, U.S. Army, an elite rifle company that parachuted into France early on D-Day morning, fought in the Battle of the Bulge, captured Hitler's Eagle's Nest at Berchtesgaden, and suffered heavy casualties.

**Bataan** (1943)

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**Battleground** (1949) DVD

Follow a band of American soldiers as they engage the Germans in a snowy, foggy winter near Bastogne in World War II. They're low on fuel, rations, and ammunition; the Germans are constantly encouraging their surrender via radio and leaflets, and most importantly, the pervasive thick fog makes movement and identification difficult and prevents their relief by Allied air support.

**Best Years of Our Lives, The** (1946) DVD

Recounts the problems faced by three returning veterans of WWII as they attempt to pick up the threads of their lives. Captain Derry is returning to a loveless marriage, Sergeant Stephenson is a stranger to a family that's grown up without him, and sailor Parrish is tormented by the loss of his hands.

**Black Book** (2006) DVD In Dutch with English subtitles

Rachel, a young Jewish girl hiding from the Nazi's in The Netherlands joins the resistance, and under the false name Ellis de Vries she meets SS-Hauptsturmführer Ludwig Muntze on a train smuggling weapons. She joins his office as a spy, but when someone within the resistance betrays her, she is now seen as an enemy betraying both sides. All that's left to do is run and find a way to prove her innocence by finding the real betrayer.

**Boy in the Striped Pajamas, The** (2008) DVD

Innocent and naive 8-year-old Bruno is bored and restless in his new home. Ignoring his mother, he sets off on an adventure in the woods. He comes across a high fence which separates him from the people he can see through it. Soon he meets a young boy in striped pajamas, and a surprising friendship develops.

**Bridge on the River Kwai, The** (1957) DVD
British soldiers captured by the Japanese during World War II are forced to construct a strategic railroad bridge which a commando team is instructed by the British High Command to destroy.

**Caine Mutiny, The** (1954) DVD

A combat-weary, paranoiac Captain Queeg, loses his nerve during a typhoon and is relieved of command by his first officer.

**Captain America: The First Avenger** (2011) DVD

After being deemed unfit for military service, Steve Rogers volunteers to participate in an experimental program that turns him into Captain America, a Super Soldier. Now, as Captain America, Rogers joins forces with Bucky Barnes and Peggy Carter to wage war on the evil HYDRA organization, led by the villainous Red Skull.

**Captain Corelli's Mandolin** (2001) DVD

In 1941, on a remote Greek island, an Italian artillery garrison is established to maintain order. One Italian officer, Captain Corelli, adopts an attitude of mutual co-existence with the Greeks and engages in such activities as music festivals and courting the daughter of a local doctor. In 1943, however, after Italy surrenders to the Allies and changes sides in the war, Captain Corelli must defend the Greek island against a German invasion.

**Captain Newman, M.D.** (1963) DVD

A realistic look at life and love inside a stateside military hospital's psychiatric ward during World War II.

**Carrie's War** (2004) DVD

At the start of World War II, 14-year-old Carrie and her younger brother Nick are separated from their mother and evacuated from war-torn London to a rural village in Wales, where they now live with a puritanical shopkeeper and his spinster sister.

**Casablanca** (1942) DVD

Rick's Café in Casablanca is a center for war refugees awaiting visas for America. Rick abandons his cynicism to help an old love escape the Nazis with her underground leader husband.

**Cazalets, The** (2001) DVD

Three generations of the Cazalet family in the shadows of WWII.

**Children of Huang Shi, The** (2008) DVD

George Hogg is a young Englishman who leads sixty orphaned boys on an extraordinary journey of almost a thousand miles across the snow-bound Liu Pan Shan mountains to safety on the edge of the Mongolian desert.

**City of Life and Death** (2009) DVD In Mandarin with English subtitles

On December 9, 1937, the Imperial Japanese Army laid siege to the Chinese capital of Nanking, beginning a reign of terror that killed as many as 300,000 civilians, an infamous tragedy now referred to as the Rape of Nanking.

**Cloak and Dagger** (1946) DVD
Alvah Jesper, an American scientist, parachutes into war-torn Nazi Germany to obtain military secrets. But the deeper he probes, the deadlier his mission becomes - especially when his involvement with a mysterious woman, Gina, catapults him into an intense maelstrom of danger, betrayal, and murder.

**Closely Watched Trains** (1966) DVD In Czech with English subtitles

Comedy-drama about a young trainmaster employed in a tiny station during World War II. He becomes involved in a plot to blow up a German ammunition train, but when the plan backfires, he is forced to commit the ultimate act of courage.

**Combat!** (1962) TV DVD

A series about American soldiers battling in Europe during WWII, confronting imposing odds and demonstrating ingenuity and courage.

**Le corbeau - Raven** (1943) DVD In French with English subtitles

In a small French town identified as 'anywhere', anonymous poison pen letters are sent by somebody signing as Le Corbeau (the Raven). The letters start by accusing doctor Rémy Germain of having an affair with Laura Vorzet, the pretty young wife of the elderly psychiatrist Dr. Vorzet. Germain is also accused of practicing illegal abortions. Letters are then sent to virtually all the population of the town, but keep getting back at the initial victim, Dr. Germain.

**Cranes Are Flying, The** (1957) DVD In Russian with English subtitles

When Veronica's lover, Boris, goes to war, she moves in with Boris' family. His cousin seduces her and out of guilt she marries him. Unhappy in her marriage and still in love with Boris she leaves her husband to wait for Boris to return. Later she learns Boris has been killed in the war.

**Crash Dive** (1943) DVD

Set during World War II, this adventure features two Navy men vying for the love of the same woman and having to serve together on a dangerous mission to destroy a Nazi base.

**Das Boot** (1981) DVD

Follows the patrol of the U-96, one of the famed German U-boats known as the "Gray Wolves" that sought to harass and destroy British ships during World War II. Portrays the crew as they struggle to maintain their professionalism as soldiers while trying to understand and obey the ideology of the German government which they served.

**Defiance** (2008) DVD

The Bielski brothers live with the fear of discovery must contend with neighboring Soviet partisans and deciding whom to trust. They take on the responsibility of guarding and motivating hundreds of women, men, children and the elderly to join their fight against the Nazi regime while hiding in makeshift homes in the dark, cold and unforgiving forest. At the same time, the brothers turn a band of war defectors into commanding freedom fighters.

**Desert Fox, The: The Story of Rommel** (1951) DVD

This biopic follows Rommel's career after the Afrika Corps, including his work on the defenses of Fortress Europe as well as his part in the assassination attempt on Hitler, and his subsequent suicide.

**Destination Tokyo** (1943) DVD
Distant Journey - Daleká cesta (1950) DVD In Czech with English subtitles

One of the first theatrical films about the Holocaust, banned for decades in the Czech Republic and then rediscovered, follows the struggles of Dr. Hannah Kaufman and her family from the time of the Nazi Occupation of Prague through her experiences in the transit camp of Theresienstadt (modern Terezin).

Downfall (2004) DVD In German with English subtitles

As the Russians advance through Berlin in the spring of 1945, Adolf Hitler and his remaining military and secretarial staff shelter in his large bunker complex in the center of the city. His mood swings between completely unjustified optimism that his forces will still break through, and rage against the incompetence and betrayal of his military commanders. Reality does finally start to break through and the Fuhrer and the others in the bunker start to make their final personal preparations for the inevitable.

Dragon Seed (1944) DVD

A peaceful village in China is invaded by the Japanese prior to World War II. The men in the village choose to adopt a peaceful attitude toward their conquerors. But Jade is a headstrong young woman who intends to stand up to the Japanese whether her husband Lao Er approves or not. Jade’s attitude spreads to the rest of the village, convincing even the staunchest of male traditionalist that the Japanese can be defeated only by offering a strong united front.

Dresden (2006) DVD In German with English subtitles

A German hospital nurse finds an injured English pilot hiding in the cellar, and helps him, thinking he is a German deserter. When she finds out who he is, will she have the heart to turn him in? Or will her feelings overcome border lines and sides?

Dresser, The (1983) DVD

In a touring Shakespearean theater group, the dresser is devoted to the brilliant but tyrannical head of the company. He struggles to support the deteriorating star as the company struggles to carry on during the London blitz. The pathos of his backstage efforts rival the pathos in the story of Lear and the Fool that is being presented on-stage, as the situation comes to a crisis.

Edges of the Lord (2000) DVD

Romek is a Jewish boy from Krakow hiding out with a rural Catholic family in Poland in 1943. Romek soon finds himself in an awkward position with the other children of the village, who don’t know whether to view the newcomer as a friend or rival. In a catechism class taught by a local priest, Ramek meets Marka, a local thirteen-year-old whose romantic interest sparks some twists that include betrayal, murder, and revenge with religious overtones.

Empire of the Sun (1987) DVD

Based on J.G. Ballard’s autobiographical novel, tells the story of a boy, James Graham, whose privileged life is upturned by the Japanese invasion of Shanghai, December 8, 1941. Separated from his parents, he is eventually captured, and taken to Soo Chow confinement camp, next to a captured Chinese airfield. Amidst the sickness and food shortages in the camp, Jim attempts to reconstruct his former life, all the while bringing spirit and dignity to those around him.

End of the Affair, The (1955) DVD
In war torn London Maurice Bendrix falls in love with neighbor Sarah Miles. They begin an illicit romance behind Sarah's husband's back. While war does not last forever, neither does love in this existentialist tale.

**End of the Affair, The** (1999) DVD

On a rainy London night in 1946, novelist Maurice Bendrix has a chance meeting with Henry Miles, husband of his ex-mistress Sarah, who abruptly ended their affair two years before. Bendrix's obsession with Sarah is rekindled; he succumbs to his own jealousy and arranges to have her followed.

**Enemies, a Love Story** (1989) DVD

Set in 1949 New York, a Holocaust survivor who makes a living as a ghostwriter for a Jewish rabbi, finds himself involved with three women - his current wife, a passionate affair with a married woman, and his long-vanished wife whom he thought was killed during the war and suddenly reappears. The film concentrates on the views of the Jewish survivors, who no longer abide by religious morals and question a God who could let the Holocaust occur.

**Enemy at the Gates** (2001) DVD

During the WWII battle of Stalingrad, two snipers, a Russian, and a German, are locked in a battle of wills and marksmanship, while the Russian is boosted to the status of hero by a political official.

**English Patient, The** (1996) DVD

Count Almásy is a Hungarian map maker employed by the Royal Geographical Society to chart the vast expanses of the Sahara Desert along with several other prominent explorers. As WW II unfolds, Almásy enters into a world of love, betrayal, and politics that is later revealed in a series of flashbacks while Almásy is on his death bed after being horribly burned in a plane crash.

**Europa Europa** (1990) DVD In German with English subtitles

A Jewish boy, separated from his family in the early days of WWII, poses as a German orphan and is thereafter taken into the heart of the Nazi world as a 'war hero' and eventually made a Hitler Youth.

**Everything is Illuminated** (2005) DVD

A young American man journeys to find the woman who saved his grandfather during World War II in a Ukrainian village, which was ultimately razed by the Nazis, with the help of a local who speaks weirdly broken English.

**Father: Diary of One Week - Apa egy hit naploja** (1966) DVD In Hungarian with English subtitles

Ever since the death of his father, young Tako has filled the paternal void with a series of fantasies in which his father is envisioned as a partisan freedom-fighter, a cultured world traveler and a decorated hero. When he reaches manhood, Tako struggles to live up to the heroic image he crafted, even as he discovers a world in which valor has little place. But he cannot relinquish the comforting daydreams, and as the fantasies he harbors become more elaborate, the mythic father becomes a heroic protector of the Hungarian Jews during the Nazi occupation.

**Fighting Seabees, The** (1944) DVD

Construction workers in World War II in the Pacific are needed to build military sites, but the work is dangerous and they doubt the ability of the Navy to protect them. After a series of attacks by the Japanese, something new is tried, Construction Battalions (CBs=Seabees). The new CBs have to both build and be ready to fight.
**Fighting Sullivans, The** (1944) DVD

The lives of a close-knit group of brothers growing up in Iowa during the days of the Great Depression and of World War II and their eventual deaths in action in the Pacific theater are chronicled in this film based on a true story.

**Films of Michael Powell, The** DVD

**A Matter of Life and Death** (1944)

During World War II, an English pilot survives a jump from his burning plane due to an angel's incompetence. Caught in a nether world between heaven and Earth and in love with an American radio operator, he must plead his case before a heavenly tribunal.

**Flags of Our Fathers** (2006) DVD

The story of the five Marines and one Navy corpsman that were forever immortalized as a symbol of WWII by raising the American flag at the battle of Iwo Jima. When Joe Rosenthal's photograph of the event becomes a symbol of hope for the families at home, the three surviving men are pulled from combat and sent on a tour across America to raise desperately-needed bond money. It is a trip that brings out the truths of both that symbolic act, and of their lives during war.

**Flame and Citron-Flammen & Citronen** (2008) DVD In Danish with English subtitles

Copenhagen 1944, a young idealist codenamed Flame and tense family man Citron are two Resistance fighters who become the underground's most proficient killers of collaborators and sympathizers. The Nazi SS is hunting them. They trust only each other. But in a time where fear and mercy must live in the shadows, a mysterious woman and a new assignment to assassinate the head of the Gestapo may lead them to the deadliest place of all.

**Flying Leathernecks** (1951) DVD

Major Daniel Kirby takes command of a squadron of Marine fliers just before they are about to go into combat. While the men are well meaning, he finds them undisciplined and prone to always finding excuses to do what is easy rather than what is necessary. The root of the problem is the second in command, Capt. Carl 'Griff' Griffin. Griff is the best flier in the group but Kirby finds him a poor commander who is not prepared to the difficult decision that all commanders have to make - to put men in harm's way knowing that they may be killed.

**Flying Tigers** (1942) DVD

Jim Gordon commands a unit of the famed Flying Tigers, the American Volunteer Group which fought the Japanese in China before America's entry into World War II. Gordon must send his outnumbered band of fighter pilots out against overwhelming odds while juggling the disparate personalities and problems of his fellow flyers.

**Focus** (2001) DVD

In the waning months of World War II, a man and his wife are mistakenly identified as Jews by their anti-Semitic Brooklyn neighbors. Suddenly the victims of religious and racial persecution, they find themselves aligned with a local Jewish immigrant in a struggle for dignity and survival.

**Forbidden Games - Jeux interdits** (1952) DVD In French with English subtitles
In 1940, the five years old Paulette loses her parents and her dog under a Nazi attack in the country while escaping from Paris. The eleven years old peasant Michel Dolle sees the girl wandering with her dead dog in her hands and brings her to his home. She is welcomed and lodged by his simple family and she becomes a close friend of Michel. They bury her dog and decide to build a cemetery for animals and insects, stealing crosses in the cemetery, bringing problems to Michel's family with their neighbors.

**Foreign Correspondent** (1940) DVD

Johnny Jones is an action reporter on a New York newspaper. The editor appoints him European correspondent because he is fed up with the dry, reports he currently gets. Jones' first assignment is to get the inside story on a secret treaty agreed between two European countries by the famous diplomat, Mr. Van Meer. However things don't go to plan and Jones enlists the help of a young woman to help track down a group of spies.

**Fortunes of War** (1987) DVD

Romania 1939. Despite his new bride's serious misgivings, British professor Guy Pringle becomes enmeshed in the politics of anti-fascism, setting the stage for their marriage to be tested by accidental betrayal, callous insensitivity, and a world in upheaval.

**49th Parallel** (1941) DVD

As the voice over proclaims, the 49th parallel is the only undefended frontier in the world. The parallel is the goal of a small group of Nazi's, survivors of a U-boat that has been spotted and sunk in Hudson Bay, deep in Canadian waters. The United States is not yet at war with Germany, and if Corporal Hirth and his six crew members can reach it, they can be repatriated to Germany with no fuss. But their trek across Canada becomes a fierce struggle to survive, as they encounter and are opposed in turn by Johnnie the trapper, a small Hutterite community, a Canadian intellectual, and a Canadian soldier gone AWOL.

**Foyle's War** (2002) TV DVD

It is 1940 and Britain stands almost alone against the might of Nazi Germany across the continent. The terrors of nightly bombing raids are only matched by the fear and hysteria of the population at the prospect of the seemingly inevitable German invasion. It is in this environment that Detective Chief Superintendent Christopher Foyle, of the Hastings Police on the south coast of England, works. With his official driver, Sam, and his subordinate, Paul Milner, Foyle investigates murders, looting and theft, crimes of opportunism, crimes of war, crimes of passion and crimes of greed, because crime isn't stopped because of warfare.

**From Here to Eternity** (1953) DVD

It's 1941. Robert E. Lee Prewitt has requested Army transfer and has ended up at Schofield in Hawaii. His new captain, Dana Holmes, has heard of his boxing prowess and is keen to get him to represent the company. However, 'Prew' is adamant that he doesn't box anymore, so Captain Holmes gets his subordinates to make his life a living hell. Meanwhile Sergeant Warden starts seeing the captain's wife, who has a history of seeking external relief from a troubled marriage. Prew's friend Maggio has a few altercations with the sadistic stockade Sergeant 'Fats' Judson, and Prew begins falling in love with social club employee Lorene. Unbeknownst to anyone, the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor looms in the distance.

**Garden of the Finzi-Continis, The - Il giardino dei Finzi-Contini** (1970) DVD

In Italian with English subtitles
This drama is set in Italy in 1938, when Mussolini’s anti-Semitic edicts began to isolate the Jews from their communities. Among them were the Finzi-Continis, an aristocratic Jewish family forced for the first time to acknowledge the world beyond its fenced garden.

**Germany Year Zero - Deutschland im Jahre Null** (1948) DVD  In Italian with English subtitles

The concluding chapter of Roberto Rossellini’s War Trilogy is the most devastating, a portrait of an obliterated Berlin seen through the eyes of a 12-year old boy. Living in a bombed-out apartment building with his sick father and two older siblings, young Edmund is mostly left to wander unsupervised, getting ensnared in the black market schemes of a group of teenagers and coming under the nefarious influence of a Nazi-sympathizing ex-teacher.

**Good Evening, Mr. Wallenberg - God afton, Herr Wallenberg** (1990) DVD

In Swedish with English subtitles

The story of Swedish businessman Raoul Wallenberg who helped Jews in Budapest, Hungary in 1944 to obtain Swedish passports to get them out of Adolph Eichmann's deadly path. He saved over 60,000 people in Budapest’s Jewish ghetto.

**Good German, The** (2006)

Takes place in the ruins of post-WWII Berlin, where U.S. Army war correspondent Jake Geismar becomes involved with Lena Brandt, a former lover whose missing husband is the object of a manhunt led by both the American and Russian armies. Intrigue mounts as Jake tries to uncover the secrets Lena may be hiding in her desperation to get herself and her husband out of Berlin. Tully is an American soldier working in the U.S. army motor pool who is assigned to drive Jake around Berlin. Tully has black market connections that may be Lena’s way out. But he could lead them all into even darker territory.

**Grave of the Fireflies** (1988) DVD  In Japanese with English subtitles

Setsuko and Seita are brother and sister living in wartime Japan. After their mother is killed in an air raid they find a temporary home with relatives. Having quarreled with their aunt they leave the city and make their home in an abandoned shelter. While their soldier father's destiny is unknown, the two must depend on each other to somehow keep a roof over their heads and food in their stomachs. When everything is in short supply, they gradually succumb to hunger and their only entertainment is the light of the fireflies.

**Great Dictator, The** (1940) DVD

Chaplin plays the double role of the persecuted Jewish barber and Adenoid Hynkel, dictator of Tomania. The barber is imprisoned, escapes, and is finally mistaken for the dictator at which point he makes an impassioned, humanistic speech which amazes the dictator's followers.

**Great Escape, The** (1963) DVD

The Nazis, exasperated at the number of escapes from their prison camps by a relatively small number of Allied prisoners, relocates them to a high-security "escape-proof" camp to sit out the remainder of the war. Undaunted, the prisoners plan one of the most ambitious escape attempts of World War II. Based on a true story.

**Great Raid, The** (2005) DVD

When the Philippines fell to the Japanese, the remnants of Gen. MacArthur’s Army were forced down the Bataan Peninsula where they were surrounded and cutoff with no hope of rescue. Gen. Wainwright eventually surrendered
and the troops were marched off to prison. Along the way thousands died or were murdered by the Japanese. They were taken to Camp O'Donnell and to Cabanatuan Prison Camps where they were starved and beaten. When MacArthur invaded the Philippines he made it a priority to rescue the remaining prisoners still alive in Japanese hands.

**Greatest Classic Films Collection War Collection, Battlefront Asia** Discs 1-2 DVD

**Bataan (1943)**

Japan has just invaded the Philippines and the US Army attempts a desperate defense. Thirteen men are chosen to blow up a bridge on the Bataan peninsula and keep the Japanese from rebuilding it.

**Back to Bataan (1945)**

After the fall of the Philippines to the Japanese in World War II, Col. Joseph Madden of the U.S. Army stays on to organize guerrilla fighters against the conquerors.

**Destination Tokyo (1943)**

Captain Cassidy and his crew of submariners are ordered into Tokyo Bay on a secret mission. They are to gather information in advance of the planned Doolittle air raid on Tokyo. After getting the information they need, they face the harrowing task of getting out of Japan once their presence is detected.

**Guns of Navarone, The (1961) DVD**

A team of Allied military specialists are recruited for a dangerous but imperative mission: to infiltrate a Nazi-occupied fortress in Greece and disable two long-range field guns so that 2,000 trapped British soldiers may be rescued. Faced with an unforgiving sea voyage, hazardous terrain, and the possibility of a traitor among them, the team must overcome the impossible without losing their own lives.

**Hail the Conquering Hero (1944) DVD**

Woodrow LaFayette wants to join the Marines, but he's 4F. So he leaves his hometown and with friends, who send postcards from all over the war theaters, and he fakes a heroic career. This has its consequences...

**Halls of Montezuma (1950) DVD**

The marines attack a strongly held enemy island in the Pacific. We follow them from the beach to a Japanese rocket site through enemy infested jungle as their ex-school teacher leader is transformed into a battle veteran and his squad becomes a tight fighting unit.

**Hasty Heart, The (1949) DVD**

The war is suddenly over for two Allied soldiers injured in Burma and sent to a remote jungle hospital. Facing the battle of recovery, the easy-going Yank and the proud yet stubborn Scotsman form a bond with the other patients and Army staff.

**Haunted Airman, The (2006) DVD**

RAF Flight Lieutenant Toby Jugg is wounded during the war and confined to a wheelchair. He arrives at a remote mansion in Wales to recuperate. While recovering he begins to suffer from terrible nightmares and visions. Toby finds that he can't trust the hospital staff and psychologists, especially once other patients begin to die.
Hell in the Pacific (1968) DVD

During World War II, a shot-down American pilot and a marooned Japanese navy captain find themselves stranded on the same small uninhabited island in the Pacific Ocean. Following war logic, each time the crafty Japanese devises something useful, he guards it to deny its use to the Yank, who then steals it, its proceeds or the idea and/or ruins it. Yet each gets his chance to kill and/or capture the other, but neither pushes this to the end.

Hill, The (1965) DVD

WWII, in a British disciplinary camp located in the Libyan desert. Prisoners are persecuted by Staff Sergeant Williams, who made them climb again and again, under the heavy sun, an artificial hill built right in the middle of the camp. Harris is a more human and compassionate guard, but the chief, S.M. Wilson, refuses to disown his subordinate Williams. One day, five new prisoners arrive. Each of them will deal in a different way with the authority and Williams' ferocity.

Hiroshima, Mon Amour (1959) DVD

1959. A French young woman has spent the night with a Japanese man, at Hiroshima where she went for the shooting of a film about peace. He reminds her of the first man she loved. It was during World War II, and he was a German soldier.


Describes the life of Adolf Hitler from childhood to manhood, and how he became so powerful. It describes his poor childhood in Austria, it describes the First World War from his point of view, and how he became the strongest man in Germany. The movie show us how Hitler turned from a poor soldier into the leader of the Nazis, and how he survived the attempts to kill him. It describes his relationship with his mistress Eva Braun, and his decisions and enemies inside Germany and inside the Nazi party.

Hogan's Heroes (1965) TV DVD

Colonel Hogan leads a ragtag band of POW's caught behind German lines in this popular television comedy. The bumbling Germans give Hogan and his crew plenty of opportunities to sabotage their war efforts. Colonel Klink is more concerned with having everything run smoothly and avoiding any trouble with his superiors (especially anything that might result in his being reassigned and sent to the front) than with being tough on Hogan and his fellow prisoners.

Holocaust (1978) DVD

Follows the tragedy and triumph of the Weiss family of Berlin and intertwines their fate as European Jews with the story of a German family, the Dorfs, whose members include a high-ranking Nazi officer. Kristallnacht, the "night of broken glass" occurs and the Weiss family suffer a series of unspeakable tragedies in the aftermath.

Hope and Glory (1987) DVD

A semiautobiographical project by John Boorman about a nine year old boy called Bill as he grows up in London during the blitz of World War 2. For a young boy, this time in history was more of an adventure, a total upheaval of order, restrictions and discipline. The liberating effect of the war on the women left behind and the joy when Hitler blows up your school.

House on 92nd Street, The (1945) DVD

A Nazi spy tries to recruit college grad Bill Dietrich, who becomes a double agent for the FBI. While Bill trains in Hamburg, a street-accident victim proves to have been spying on atom-bomb secrets; conveniently, Dietrich is assigned
to the New York spy ring stealing these secrets. Can he track down the mysterious "Christopher" before his ruthless associates unmask and kill him?

**In Darkness (2011) DVD  In Polish with English subtitles**

Leopold Socha is a sewer worker and petty thief in Lvov, a Nazi occupied city in Poland. One day he encounters a group of Jews trying to escape the liquidation of the ghetto. He hides them for money in the labyrinth of the town's sewers beneath the bustling activity of the city above. What starts out as a straightforward and cynical business arrangement turns into something unexpected, the unlikely alliance between Socha and the Jews as the enterprise seeps deeper into Socha's conscience.

**Inglourious Basterds (2009) DVD**

In Nazi-occupied France, young Jewish refugee Shosanna Dreyfus witnesses the slaughter of her family by Colonel Hans Landa. Narrowly escaping with her life, she plots her revenge several years later when German war hero Fredrick Zoller takes a rapid interest in her and arranges an illusory movie premiere at the theater she now runs. With the promise of every major Nazi officer in attendance, the event catches the attention of the "Basterds", a group of Jewish-American guerilla soldiers led by the ruthless Lt. Aldo Raine. As the relentless executioners advance and the conspiring young girl's plans are set in motion, their paths will cross for a fateful evening that will shake the very annals of history.

**Inn of the Sixth Happiness, The (1958) DVD**

All her life Englishwoman Gladys Aylward knew that China was the place where she belonged. Not qualified to be sent there as a missionary, Gladys works as a domestic to earn the money to send herself to a poor, remote village. There she eventually lives a full and happy life: running the inn, acting as "foot inspector", advising the local Mandarin and even winning the heart of mixed race Captain Lin Nan. But Gladys discovers her real destiny when the country is invaded by Japan and the Chinese children need her to save their lives.

**Jack Lemmon Film Collection, The**

**Operation Mad Ball (1957) DVD**

Private Hogan must raise his ability to scheme and plot to a new level to put on a madcap dance to celebrate the closing of an Army surgical hospital in post WWII France while evading the stickler-for-details Captain Locke - and win the heart to the beautiful nurse Lieutenant Betty Bixby.

**Jakob the Liar (1999) DVD**

In 1944 Poland, a Jewish shop keeper named Jakob is summoned to ghetto headquarters after being caught out near curfew. While waiting for the German Kommandant, Jakob overhears a German radio broadcast about Russian troop movements. Returned to the ghetto, the shopkeeper shares his information with a friend and then rumors fly that there is a secret radio within the ghetto. Jakob uses the chance to spread hope throughout the ghetto by continuing to tell favorable tales of information from "his secret radio."

**Judgment at Nuremberg (1961) DVD**

American judge Daniel Haywood presides over the trial of four German jurists accused of "legalizing" Nazi atrocities. But as graphic accounts of sterilization and murder unfold in the courtroom, mounting political pressure for leniency forces Haywood into making the most harrowing and difficult decision of his career.

**Kanal - Canal (1957) DVD In Polish with English subtitles**
September, 1944. It's the 56th day of Warsaw's uprising against the Nazis. The third Platoon of the Resistance is down to 43 heroic men and women, and they're penned in. After a last day of fighting, and of good-byes to family, to love making, and to music, a handful of doomed survivors wade into the city's underground sewers in hopes of escape. Their valor is tested a final time.

**Katyn (2007) DVD** In Polish with English subtitles

On 17 September 1939, a group of Polish officers and soldiers are imprisoned by the Soviet Army on the border of Poland. Anna and her daughter Nika travel from Krakow to meet her husband and officer Andrzej and they try to convince him to leave the soldiers and escape back home. However, Andrzej refuses to leave the troop and is deported to USSR. Later the Soviet tells that the Polish officers had been massacred by the Germans in the Katyn Forest with a shot on the back of the neck. However Anna retrieves Andrzej's diary and discloses that the soldiers had been actually murdered by the Soviet Army.

**Kelly's Heroes (1970) DVD**

During World War II a German Colonel is captured by the Americans but before he can be interrogated an artillery barrage hits the camp. However, Ex-Lieutenant Kelly manages to reach the Colonel, get him drunk and learn that he is on a secret mission to ship $16,000,000 of gold to a base in France. Kelly is determined to get the gold and plans for himself and a few of his fellow soldiers to slip into enemy territory and steal the bullion.

**King's Speech, The (2010) DVD**

After his brother abdicates, George ('Bertie') reluctantly assumes the throne. Plagued by a dreaded stammer and considered unfit to be king, Bertie engages the help of an unorthodox speech therapist named Lionel Logue. Through a set of unexpected techniques, and as a result of an unlikely friendship, Bertie is able to find his voice and boldly lead the country through war.

**Landscape After Battle - Krajobraz Po Bitwie (1970) DVD** In Polish with English subtitles

Film opens with the mad rush of haphazard freedom as the concentration camps are liberated. Men are trying to grab food, change clothes, bury their tormentors they find alive. Then they are herded into other camps as the Allies try to devise policy to control the situation. A young poet, who cannot quite find himself in this new situation, meets a headstrong Jewish young girl who wants him to run off with her, to the West. He cannot cope with her growing demands for affection, while still harboring the hatred for the Germans and disdain for his fellow men that quickly revert to petty enmities.

**Last Days of Patton, The (1986) DVD**

Following the close of World War II, General George S. Patton is seriously injured in a car accident and not expected to survive. "The Last Days of Patton" tells the story of these last few months of the General's life and the Army Medical Corps efforts to save him. Intermixed with flashbacks, the film also shows Patton's earlier career as a fledging tank commander during the First World War.

**Last Emperor, The (1987) DVD**

A dramatic history of Pu Yi, the last of the Emperors of China, from his lofty birth and brief reign in the Forbidden City, the object of worship by half a billion people; through his abdication, his decline and dissolute lifestyle; his exploitation by the invading Japanese, and finally to his obscure existence as just another peasant worker in the People's Republic.
Last Metro, The (1980) DVD In French with English subtitles

Paris 1942. Lucas Steiner is a Jew and was compelled to leave the country. His wife Marion, an actress, directs the theater for him. She tries to keep the theater alive with a new play, and hires Bernard Granger for the leading role. But Lucas is actually hiding in the basement.

Letters From Iwo Jima (2006) DVD

The island of Iwo Jima stands between the American military force and the home islands of Japan. General Tadamichi Kuribayashi is given command of the forces on the island and sets out to prepare for the imminent attack. In the lower echelons, a young soldier, Saigo, a poor baker in civilian life, strives with his friends to survive the harsh regime of the Japanese army itself, all the while knowing that a fierce battle looms. When the American invasion begins, both Kuribayashi and Saigo find strength, honor, courage, and horrors beyond imagination.

Life and Death of Colonel Blimp, The (1943) DVD

We meet the imposingly rotund General Clive Wynne-Candy, a blustering old duffer who seems the epitome of stuffy, outmoded values. Traveling backwards 40 years we see a different man altogether: the young and dashing officer "Sugar" Candy. Through a series of relationships with three women and his lifelong friendship with a German officer, we see Candy's life unfold and come to understand how difficult it is for him to adapt his sense of military honor to modern notions of "total war."

Life is Beautiful - La Vita è Bella (1997) DVD In Italian with English subtitles

In 1930s Italy, a carefree Jewish book keeper named Guido starts a fairy tale life by courting and marrying a lovely woman from a nearby city. Guido and his wife have a son and live happily together until the occupation of Italy by German forces. In an attempt to hold his family together and help his son survive the horrors of a Jewish Concentration Camp, Guido imagines that the Holocaust is a game and that the grand prize for winning is a tank.

Lifeboat (1941) DVD

In the Atlantic during WWII, a ship and a German U-boat are involved in a battle and both are sunk. The survivors from the ship gather in one of the boats. They are from a variety of backgrounds: an international journalist, a rich businessman, the radio operator, a nurse, a steward, a sailor and an engineer with communist tendencies. Trouble starts when they pull a man out of the water who turns out to be from the U-boat.

Longest Day, The (1962) DVD

'The Longest Day' is June 6, 1944, the day the Allied assault on Hitler's Fortress Europe. And when it came everything went much according to plan. But fighting through the tough country of Normandy took much longer than had been expected. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the four-star Supreme Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Forces, made up the force of some two million men massed in England for the strike at Europe. Combined American, British, Irish and Canadian forces assault the beaches of Normandy in an effort to gain a foothold on the continent.

Lust, Caution (2007) DVD In Mandarin with English subtitles

An espionage thriller set in WWII-era Shanghai, in which a young woman, Wang Jiazhi, gets swept up in a dangerous game of emotional intrigue with a powerful political figure, Mr. Yee.

Malena (2000) DVD In Italian with English subtitles
On the day in 1940 that Italy enters the war, two things happen to the 12-year-old Renato: he gets his first bike, and he gets his first look at Malèna. She is a beautiful, silent outsider who's moved to this Sicilian town to be with her husband, Nino. He promptly goes off to war, leaving her to the lustful eyes of the men and the sharp tongues of the women. During the next few years, as Renato grows toward manhood, he watches Malèna suffer and prove her mettle. He sees her loneliness, then grief when Nino is reported dead, the effects of slander on her relationship with her father, her poverty and search for work, and final humiliations. Will Renato learn courage from Malèna and stand up for her?

**Man in the Glass Booth, The** (1975) DVD

Millionaire Jewish entrepreneur Arthur Goldman rules a financial empire from his Manhattan penthouse. He is given to passionate and capricious ravings on a variety of subjects. His growing paranoia, dismissed by those close to him, is confirmed when he is kidnapped by Israeli agents and brought to trial in Israel for crimes against humanity. Is he Arthur Goldman or is he Adolph Dorf, former SS colonel who headed a Nazi concentration camp? As the trial progresses, the question becomes more confusing.

**Midway** (1976) DVD

The story of the historic June 1942 battle where a Japanese carrier force, in an attempt to occupy Midway island and lure the American fleet to destruction, was meet valiantly by US forces operating off of three aircraft carriers and numerous escort ships. It was the first battle in which naval air power was extensively used, and at its conclusion the Japanese Carrier force had been completely destroyed which lead the way for the US 1943 and 1944 offensives which would eventually bring the Pacific War to a close.

**Malta story** (1953) DVD

In 1942 Britain was clinging to the island of Malta since it was critical to keeping Allied supply lines open. The Axis also wanted it for their supply lines. Plenty of realistic reenactments and archival combat footage as the British are besieged and try to fight off the Luftwaffe. Against this background, a RAF reconnaissance photographer's romance with a local girl is endangered as he tries to plot enemy movements.

**Marriage of Maria Braun, The - Die Ehe der Maria Braun** (1979) DVD

In German with English subtitles

During the allied siege of Germany in the last year of the war, Maria's new husband is shipped off to the Russian front before the marriage is consummated. As she struggles to survive wartime deprivations, Maria haunts the local train station, seeking out information concerning her husband. When it appears that she's a widow, Maria takes a job as a barmaid and befriends a black soldier from the occupying allied troops, who sees to it that Maria's family receives vital food and supplies. The opportunistic Maria eventually takes a job with a wealthy importer, building herself up to a position of power and indispensability.

**Matter of Life and Death, A** (1944)

See The Films of Michael Powell

**Memphis Belle** (1990) DVD

It's May 1943 at a US Air Force base in England. The four officers and six enlisted men of the Memphis Belle will soon start their twenty-fifth mission, having completed their previous twenty-four successfully with nary an incident, while
fewer and fewer other planes are coming back from their missions at all. If they complete their next mission successfully, they will be the first US Air Force squad to complete their tour of duty.

**Mephisto** (1981) DVD  
In German with English subtitles

A German stage actor finds unexpected success and mixed blessings in the popularity of his performance in a Faustian play as the Nazis take power in pre-WWII Germany. As his associates and friends flee or are ground under by the Nazi terror, the popularity of his character supersedes his own existence until he finds that his best performance is keeping up appearances for his Nazi patrons.

**Miracle at Moreaux** (1986) DVD

In the cold of December 1943, three Jewish children flee Nazi-occupied France and find refuge in a Catholic school run by Sister Gabrielle. At first, the nun’s young students are afraid to shelter the refugees from Nazi soldiers who are determined to capture them. But the students come to sympathize with the trio’s plight and finally even risk their own lives to protect them. Together, they devise a bold escape plan but will it carry them to freedom or cost them their lives?

**Miracle of the White Stallions** (1963) DVD

In WWII Austria, Col. Alois Podhajsky must protect his beloved Lipizzaner stallions and make sure that they are surrendered into the right hands. But Patton's something of a horse fancier and can help...if he sees the stallions perform.

**Mister Roberts** (1955) DVD

Mister Roberts is aboard a US cargo ship, working in the Pacific during the Second World War. He'd do anything to leave the quiet of the ship to join in the "action". Trouble is, the captain of the ship, is a bit of a tyrant, and isn't willing to sign Roberts' transfer requests. Also on board is Ensign Pulver, who avoids work as best he can, whilst living off the riches of his buying and selling. Roberts and the crew are in constant battle, even over the smallest of disagreements.

**Molly an American girl on the home front** (2006) DVD

Molly McIntire and her family are learning to cope with the changes the war has brought to their close-knit family. As they try to keep things running smoothly, Molly enters a dance contest at school. Also during this time a young girl named Emily comes from London England to live with the family and Molly learns the importance of getting along and pulling together.

**More the Merrier, The** (1943) DVD

It's World War II and there is a severe housing shortage everywhere - especially in Washington, D.C. where Connie Milligan rents an apartment. Believing it to be her patriotic duty, Connie offers to sublet half of her apartment, fully expecting a suitable female tenant. What she gets instead is mischievous, middle-aged Benjamin Dingle. Dingle talks her into subletting to him and then promptly sublets half of his half to young, irreverent Joe Carter.

**Neil Simon's Biloxi Blues** (1988) DVD

A New York City teenager named Eugene Jerome enlists in the US Army during the last year of World War II in 1945. Eugene is sent to basic training at Biloxi, Mississippi where he must live with a variety of fellow soldiers from all walks of life while also enduring the whims of a mentally unstable drill sergeant.

**Night of the Shooting Stars, The** (1982) DVD  
In Italian with English subtitles
WWII in Italy was a time when polarization was at its greatest. Fascists have lost the power, but their desire for control was still strong. In small village in Tuscany, locals are anxious about arrival of allied forces that will prevent destruction of their homes and secure safety from fascists. Unsure what to do, most villagers have to choose between following the instructions of their local priest vs. following their own heart and intuition.

**Night Train to Munich** (1940) DVD

When the Germans march into Prague, armor-plating inventor Dr. Bomasch flees to England. His daughter Anna escapes from arrest to join him, but the Gestapo manage to kidnap them both back to Berlin. As war looms, British secret service agent Gus Bennet follows disguised as a senior German army officer. His ploy is the not unpleasant one of pretending to woo Anna to the German cause.

**None But the Brave** (1965) DVD

A crippled C-47 transport crash-lands on a remote Pacific island. For the Marines aboard, World War II becomes smaller but no less deadly. The atoll is held by a Japanese platoon, also cut off from its command. After initial bullet-laced confrontations, the Japanese leader offers to swap water for the aid of Pharmacist Mate Maloney, whom he’s mistaken for a doctor. When Maloney amputates the leg of a Japanese soldier and saves his life, peace results. But can it last?

**Nowhere in Africa - Nirgendwo in Afrika** (2001) DVD  In German with English subtitles

A Jewish family in Germany emigrates shortly before the Second World War. They move to Kenya to start running a farm, but not all members of the family come to an arrangement with their new life. Shortly after their departure, things are changing in Germany very quickly, and a turning back seems impossible. So everyone has to arrange himself with the new life in a new continent.

**Nun’s Story, The** (1959) DVD

In 1930, in Belgium, Gabrielle van der Mal is the stubborn daughter of the prominent surgeon Dr. Pascin Van Der Mal that decides to leave her the upper-class family to enter to a convent, expecting to work as nun in Congo with tropical diseases. She says goodbye to her sisters Louise and Marie; to her brother Pierre; and to her beloved father, and subjects herself to the stringent rules of the retrograde institution, including interior silent and excessive humbleness and humiliation. After a long period working in a mental institution, Gaby is finally assigned to go to Congo, where she works with the Atheist and cynical, but brilliant, Dr. Fortunati. Sister Luke proves to be very efficient nurse and assistant, and Dr. Fortunati miraculous heals her tuberculosis. Years later, she is ordered to return to Belgium and when her motherland is invaded by the Germans, she learns that her beloved father was murdered by the enemy while he was helping wounded members of the resistance.

**Ogre, The** (1996) DVD

Frenchman Abel Tiffauges likes children, and wants to protect them against the grown-ups. Falsely suspected as child molester, he’s recruited as a soldier in the 2nd World War, but very soon he is taken prisoner of war. After shortly serving in Goering’s hunting lodge, he goes to Kaltenborn Castle, an elite training camp for German boys. Completely happy to take care of these children, he becomes a servant of Nazism, catching boys from the area as supplies for the camp.

**Operation Mad Ball** (1957) DVD

See Jack Lemmon Film Collection
Pacific, The (2010) DVD

The Pacific follows the lives of a U.S Marine Corps squad during the campaign within the Pacific against the Japanese Empire during WW2. The Pacific is in parts a fast paced war series that can be enjoyed by action lovers whilst containing a more sensitive side when projecting the relationships (brotherhood) of Marines on the battlefield.

Paisan - Paisà (1946) DVD In Italian with English subtitles

Six vignettes follow the Allied invasion from July 1943 to winter 1944, from Sicily north to Venice. Communication is fragile. A woman leads an Allied patrol through a mine field; she dies protecting a G.I., but the Yanks think she killed him. A street urchin steals shoes from a G.I. who tracks him to a shanty town. A G.I. meets a woman the day Rome is liberated; in six months they meet again: he's cynical, she's a prostitute. A US nurse braves the trip across the Arno into German fire in search of a partisan she loves. Three chaplains, including a Jew, call on a monastery north in the Apennines. Allied soldiers and partisans try to escape capture in the marshes of the Po.

Patton (1970) DVD

"Patton" tells the tale of General George S. Patton, famous tank commander of World War II. The film begins with Patton's career in North Africa and progresses through the invasion of Europe and the fall of the Third Reich. Side plots also speak of Patton's numerous faults such his temper and tendency toward insubordination, faults that would prevent him from becoming the lead American general in the Normandy Invasion as well as to his being relieved as Occupation Commander of Germany.

Pavilion of Women (2001) DVD

In 1938, Ailian is the forty year old wife of a wealthy man, Mr. Wu. In order to get rid of her sexual obligations with her husband, Ailian gives Chiuming, a very young concubine to him. Andre is an American priest and doctor who takes care of an orphanage. Father Andre starts giving classes to Fengmo, Ailian and Chiuming. Then, two forbidden loves will rise: between the priest and the first wife, and between the son and the concubine, having the invasion of China by the Japanese in a big picture.

Pearl Harbor (2001) DVD

The classic story of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor is told through the eyes of two boyhood friends, now serving as officers in the Army Air Corps. Rafe is an energetic young pilot who is selected to fly with the British in Europe while America is still not at war. After Rafe is shot down and presumed killed, however, Danny comforts Rafe's former lover, Evelyn, and the two draw closer. But, when Rafe turns up alive, the two former friends become enemies, and it is through the turmoil of Pearl Harbor that the two may reconcile their differences.

Pianist, The (2002) DVD

A brilliant pianist, a Polish Jew, witnesses the restrictions Nazis place on Jews in the Polish capital, from restricted access to the building of the Warsaw ghetto. As his family is rounded up to be shipped off to the Nazi labor camps, he escapes deportation and eludes capture by living in the ruins of Warsaw.

Piece of Cake (1988) DVD

The lives and loves of the men of a RAF Hornet Squadron who are transferred to France at the outbreak of World War II in September 1939. For the most part the men are competent fliers but there is little action in the first several months. The men wile away their time with some engaging in dangerous stunts while others woo some of the local lasses. The
phony war comes to an end in April 1940 and the Battle of Britain begins. By September that year, few of them are left and despite their success, few see themselves as heroes.

**Protector – Protektor** (2009) DVD In Czech with English subtitles

This fateful love story is set in Prague during the late 1930s and subsequent Nazi occupation. It focuses on radio journalist Emil, who is deeply in love with his glamorous Jewish movie star wife Hana. When the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia is established, Hana’s career is cut short and Emil’s radio station put under German control. Emil chooses to collaborate with the occupiers in order to survive and protect his wife. Ironically, this choice threatens to destroy the very thing he’s trying to protect: Hana.

**Purple Butterfly** (2003) DVD In Mandarin with English subtitles

Cynthia and a Japanese student, Itami, have fallen in love in Japanese controlled Manchukuo prior to the war when Itami is forced to return to Japan. Years later, in Shanghai, Szeto and Tang Yiling have fallen in love. Cynthia has also returned to Shanghai now as a member of Purple Butterfly, a powerful resistance group against the Japanese occupation. After a case of mistaken identity and a shootout at a railroad station that leaves Yiling dead, Szeto finds himself an unexpected pawn in the battle between former lovers Cynthia and Itami who has also come to Shanghai, now as a member of the Japanese secret police unit tasked with dismantling Purple Butterfly.

**Reader, The** (2008) DVD

Middle aged German barrister Michael Berg recollects to himself his lifelong acquaintance with Hanna Schmitz. Michael first met Hanna in 1958. The two had a turbulent summer long love affair, dictated by Hanna that their encounters would begin with him reading to her followed by lovemaking. Michael next encountered Hanna in 1966, when Michael, now a law student, attended the Nazi war crimes trial of six female former S.S. concentration camp guards, one of whom is Hanna. Through listening to the testimony, Michael comes to the realization that he is in possession of information which could save Hanna from a life in prison, information which she herself is unwilling to disclose. In deciding what to do, Michael is torn between his differing views of justice.

**Red Tails** (2012) DVD

Italy 1944. As the war takes its toll on Allied forces in Europe, a squadron of black pilots known as the Tuskegee Airmen are finally given the chance to prove themselves in the sky - even as they battle discrimination on the ground. It’s a tribute to the unsung heroes who rose above extraordinary challenges and ultimately soared into history.

**Rhapsody in August - Hachi-gatsu no kyōshikyoku** (1991) DVD In Japanese with English subtitles

The film centers on Kane a grandmother who lives on her traditional farm in the hills near Nagasaki. Her husband and a number of siblings died in the 1945 atomic bombing of the city and memories of that event are never far from her mind. She learns that her elder brother, who went to Hawaii to seek his fortune in pineapples, is on his deathbed and would very much like to see his sister one last time. Her half-American nephew Clark is venturing to Nagasaki to escort her to Hawaii. Though the prospect of meeting a real live American excites Kane's four grandchildren who are staying with her for the summer and who often sport American college T-shirts, Kane remains ambivalent both about the prospects of going to the States, and about the dark memories Clark’s presence dredges up.

**Rodger & Hammerstein's South Pacific** (1958) DVD

Can a girl from Little Rock find happiness with a mature French planter she got to know one enchanted evening away from the military hospital where she is a nurse? Or should she just wash that man out of her hair? Bloody Mary is the
philosopher of the island and it's hard to believe she could be the mother of Liat who has captured the heart of Lt. Joseph Cable USMC. While waiting for action in the war in the South Pacific, sailors and nurses put on a musical comedy show. The war gets closer and the saga of Nellie Forbush and Emile de Becque becomes serious drama.

**Rome open city - Roma, città aperta** (1945) DVD  In Italian with English subtitles

During the Nazi occupation of Rome, the resistance leader Giorgio Manfredi aka Luigi Ferraris is chased by the Gestapo. His friend Francesco, who is going to marry the widow Pina, together with the priest Don Pietro Pellegrini help him to get a new identity and leave Rome. However, Manfredi is betrayed by his lover Marina Mari and arrested by the Germans.

**Rosenstrasse** (2003) DVD In German with English subtitles

When Ruth's husband dies in New York, in 2000, she imposes strict Jewish mourning, which puzzles her children. A stranger comes to the house - Ruth's cousin - with a picture of Ruth, age 8, in Berlin, with a woman the cousin says helped Ruth escape. Hannah, Ruth's daughter engaged to a gentile, goes to Berlin to find the woman, Lena Fisher, now 90. Posing as a journalist investigating intermarriage, Hannah interviews Lena who tells the story of a week in 1943 when the Jewish husbands of Aryan women were detained in a building on Rosenstrasse. The women gather daily for word of their husbands. The film goes back and forth to tell Ruth and Lena's story. How will it affect Hannah?

**Saboteur** (1942) DVD

Los Angeles aircraft worker Barry Kane evades arrest after he is unjustly accused of sabotage. Following leads, he travels across the country to New York trying to clear his name by exposing a gang of fascist-supporting saboteurs led by the apparently respectable Charles Tobin. Along the way, he involves Pat Martin, eventually preventing another major act of sabotage. They finally catch up with Frank Frye, the man who actually committed the act of sabotage at the aircraft factory.

**Sahara** (1943) DVD

After a major battle in June 1942 an American tank crew, one of the few serving with the British 8th Army, is ordered to retreat south into the Sahara desert, the only direction that is open to them. Sgt. Joe Gunn and the two surviving members of crew head off, collecting a motley crew of British and other Allied soldiers on the way. They even have an Italian and a German POW. Their biggest threat is the lack of water but having finally found a well; they have to deal with advancing Nazis who are also in dire need of water. Rather than flee however, they decide to stand their ground and face the battalion strength enemy.

**Samson** (1961) DVD  In Polish with English subtitles

A psychological study of Jakub Gold, a Polish Jew imprisoned for killing a schoolmate in a brawl. He is released from prison at the outbreak of World War II, only to be confined to the Warsaw ghetto. Escaping the ghetto, he is confined--by the fear of being Jewish in a world hostile to Jews.

**Sands of Iwo Jima** (1949) DVD

Marine sergeant John Stryker is a tough rifle squad leader who in 1943 is assigned a squad of new recruits saddled with three veterans and an old enemy of Stryker's from previous duties in the Far East. The squad grows more and more resentful at Stryker's increasingly brutal training regimen and his lack of sympathy for the varied personal problems of the recruits, but his determination to mold them into fighting men helps save their lives when the squad is landed at Tarawa in November 1943 and Stryker risks his life to blow up a Japanese bunker that has slaughtered Marines trapped
at a log wall. The now battle-tested squad becomes more closely-knit and Stryker’s relationship with the men warms as the squad eventually finds itself in the bloodiest island battle of the war, at Iwo Jima.

**Sarah’s Key** (2010) DVD

One of the darkest moments in French history occurred in 1942 Paris when French officials rounded up over 10,000 Jews and placed them in local camps. As 10-year old Sarah and her family are being arrested, she hides her younger brother in a closet. After realizing she will not be allowed to go home, Sarah does whatever she can to get back to her brother. In 2009, a journalist named Julia is on assignment to write a story on the deported Jews in 1942. When she moves into her father-in-law's childhood apartment, she realizes it once belonged to the Strazynski family, and their daughter Sarah.

**Saving Private Ryan** (1998) DVD

Following the Allied invasion of Normandy, two brothers lay dead in the wake of the onslaught. Meanwhile, in New Guinea, a third brother has been killed fighting the Japanese. After the Army General Staff learns that a fourth brother is missing in the French countryside, a rescue mission is ordered to find the young soldier and return him safely home. The mission is mounted by a veteran Ranger Captain commanding a squad of men who have mixed feelings about risking their lives to "Save Private Ryan"

**Schindler's List** (1993) DVD

"Schindler's List" is the based-on-truth story of Nazi Czech business man Oskar Schindler, who uses Jewish labor to start a factory in occupied Poland. As World War II progresses, and the fate of the Jews becomes more and more clear, Schindler's motivations switch from profit to human sympathy and he is able to save over 1100 Jews from death in the gas chambers.

**Search, The** (1948) DVD

A silent nine-year-old Czech boy, a survivor of Auschwitz, flees a refugee center in postwar Germany and is found by an American G.I. At the same time, the boy's mother, the sole surviving member of his family, searches refugee centers for her son. Time, distance, and the massive numbers of refugee children are factors hampering the reunion of mother and son.

**Secret of Santa Vittoria, The** (1969) DVD

Bombolini is a fairly worthless drunk in the small Italian town of Santa Vittoria in the closing days of World War II. When word comes that the Fascist government has surrendered, he climbs a water tower to tear down the flag. He can't get down and someone gets the crowd to chant his name to give him confidence. The Fascist town council hears this and believes that he is the town's new leader. They surrender to him and make him the new mayor. He rises to the occasion and when he finds that the Germans plan to occupy his town and take their wine (over a million bottles) he works out a plan to hide it.

**Seven Beauties - Pasqualino Settebellezze** (1975) DVD In Italian with English subtitles

A small-time casanova with no political convictions and fewer brains shoots his sister’s pimp to save the family honor. He is caught, tried, sent to an insane asylum, volunteers for the Italian army and ends up in a Nazi concentration camp, where he learns to survive at any cost.

**Sherlock Holmes and the Secret Weapon** (1943) DVD
Working for the British government, Sherlock Holmes manages to spirit Dr. Franz Tobel out of Switzerland and into England before the GESTAPO are able to get to him. Tobel has devised an immensely accurate bomb site and while he is willing to make it available to the Allies, he insists on manufacturing it himself. Soon however, he vanishes and it is left to Homes, assisted by the bumbling Dr. Watson, to decipher a coded message he left behind. Holmes soon realizes that he is up against his old nemesis, Professor Moriarty.

**Sherlock Holmes and the Voice of Terror** (1942) DVD

When Nazi saboteurs jeeringly predicts to the nation of new depredations via their radio Voice of Terror, the Intelligence Inner Council summons Sherlock Holmes to help in the crisis. Holmes and his companion, Dr. Watson are visited the first night of their investigation; a man falls dying from a knife wound on their doorstep. His last word leads Holmes into the slums where he encounters Kitty, the sweetheart of the slain man.

**Shining Through** (1992) DVD

1940, Linda Voss is a woman of Irish, Jewish-German parentage who loves the movies, especially films about war and spies. She gets a job at a New York law firm, after it’s revealed she can speak German, fluently. As secretary and translator to Ed Leland, she begins to suspect that her boss is involved in espionage work. The two become lovers, and when America officially joins the Allies in fighting Hitler, Linda volunteers to go undercover behind enemy lines.

**Shop on Main Street, The - Obchod na korze** (1965) DVD  
In Slovak with English subtitles

Slovakia during WW2. Tono lives a poor life, but the authorities offer him to take over the Jewish widow Lautman's little shop for sewing material. She is old and confused and thinks that he is only looking for employment and hires him. The odd couple begin to like each other. But some time later the authorities decide that the Jews must leave the city. What should he do with the old lady?

**Since You Went Away** (1944) DVD

While husband Tim is away during World War II, Anne Hilton copes with problems on the home front. Taking in a lodger, Colonel Smollett, to help make ends meet and dealing with shortages and rationing are minor inconveniences compared to the love affair daughter Jane and the Colonel's grandson conduct.

**Small Back Room, The** (1949) DVD

The best bomb disposal officer during World War II was badly injured and is in frequent pain. He finds solace and relief from his pain in the whisky bottle & the pills that are never far away. A new type of booby trapped bomb push his nerves & resolution to the limit.

**Soldier's Story, A** (1984) DVD

In the town of Tynen, Louisiana, a black Master Sergeant is found shot to death just outside the local Army Base. A military lawyer, also a black man, is sent from Washington to conduct an investigation. Facing an uncooperative chain of command and fearful black troops, Captain Davenport must battle with deceit and prejudice in order to find out exactly who really did kill Sergeant Waters.

**Sophie's Choice** (1982) DVD

Sophie is the survivor of Nazi concentration camps, who has found a reason to live in Nathan, a sparkling if unsteady American Jew obsessed with the Holocaust. They befriend Stingo, the movie's narrator, a young American writer new to New York City. But the happiness of Sophie and Nathan is endangered by her ghosts and his obsessions.
**Sound of Music, The** (1965) DVD

Captain Baron von Trapp is a widowed ex-naval officer with seven children who serve only to remind him of his deceased wife. The Von Trapp home is thus turned into a gloomy place of order and discipline, until the arrival of a new governess: Frauline Marie who is from a nearby Salzburg abbey. Marie shows the Von Trapp children the miracle of the music, and teaches them how to sing. Captain von Trapp's heart opens up to feelings he had forgotten and he and Marie fall in love. Marie and Georg von Trapp are married, only to have their world brought down around them by the 1938 Anschluss of Austria, where Nazi Germany takes control of the country and demands that Captain von Trapp assume a position in the German Navy.

**Stalag 17** (1953) DVD

No one has ever escaped from Stalag 17, a POW camp for American airmen near the Danube. Maybe that's because there's a spy in barracks four. The German guards seem to know everything that's happening before it happens. Most of the American POWs suspect Sergeant J.J. Sefton, whose wheeling-and-dealing rates him special privileges from the camp guards. When Lieutenant Dunbar arrives at the prison camp, and is accused of blowing up an ammunition train, the American prisoners must expose the stoole before he informs the Germans where Dunbar is hiding, and get Dunbar out of the "inescapable" camp before the SS arrives to take him into custody.

**Sunshine** (1999) DVD

The film follows a Jewish family living in Hungary through three generations, rising from humble beginnings to positions of wealth and power in the crumbling Austro-Hungarian Empire. The patriarch becomes a prominent judge but is torn when his government sanctions anti-Jewish persecutions. His son converts to Christianity to advance his career as a champion fencer and Olympic hero, but is caught up in the Holocaust. Finally, the grandson, after surviving war, revolution, loss and betrayal, realizes that his ultimate allegiance must be to himself and his heritage.

**Tea with Mussolini** (1999) DVD

Semi-autobiographical tale from the early life of director Franco Zeffirelli looks at the illegitimate son of an Italian businessman. The boy's mother has died, and he is raised by an Englishwoman in pre-WWII Fascist Italy. Living in Florence a group of Englishwomen live a sheltered existence which they believe is guaranteed personal protection in a tea reception given by Il Duce. However, as war breaks out, the women are interned. Occasionally in this English colony is a wealthy American, who visits among her travels and marriages to wealthy older men. She respects the "Scorpioni", as they are known, and secretly arranges for their stay in a hotel. The ambassador's widow finds her vulgar and tries to ignore her, but when the United States enters the war, the American too is taken into custody. Only then does she discover that her Italian lover has tricked her into signing over all her money and modern art collection to him, and is now arranging her execution. This obliges all to join forces.

**They Were Expendable** (1945) DVD

In the aftermath of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, the members of a PT boat squadron patrol Philippine waters and attack Japanese ships. The PT boat initially had little respect from senior Navy officers but their maneuverability and speed however quickly change their minds. As the Japanese advance across the Philippines, the PT boats become essential in evacuating the senior personnel including General MacArthur.

**Thin Red Line, The** (1998) DVD

In 1943, the first major U.S. offensive of World War II is drawing to a close on the South Pacific island of Guadalcanal. To put an end to this campaign, the United States Army arrives with a full division of troops and equipment, deployed to
break the last resistance of the Japanese. The exploits of this Division are seen from a number of perspectives amongst the soldiers; to include a war weary Sergeant, a power hungry Colonel, a Private who has known only desertion and AWOL, and a Company Commander is struggling with his abilities as a leader.

**This is the Army**  (1943) DVD

In WW I dancer Jerry Jones stages an all-soldier show on Broadway, called Yip Yip Yaphank. Wounded in the War, he becomes a producer. In WW II his son Johnny Jones, who was before his father’s assistant, gets the order to stage a new all-soldier show, called THIS IS THE ARMY. But in his personal life he has problems, because he refuses to marry his fiancée until the war is over.

**Tin Drum, The**  (1979) DVD  In German with English subtitles

Danzig in the 1920s and 1930s. Oskar Matzerath, son of a local dealer, is a most unusual boy. Equipped with full intellect right from his birth he decides at his third birthday not to grow up as he sees the crazy world around him at the eve of World War II. So he refuses the society and his tin drum symbolizes his protest against the middle-class mentality of his family and neighborhood, which stand for all passive people in Nazi Germany at that time. However, (almost) nobody listens to him, so the catastrophe goes on... Written by Anonymous

**To Be or Not To Be**  (1942) DVD

In occupied Poland during WWII, a troupe of ham stage actors (led by Joseph Tura and his wife Maria) match wits with the Nazis. A spy has information which would be very damaging to the Polish resistance and they must prevent its being delivered to the Germans.

**Tora! Tora! Tora!**  (1970) DVD

In 1941 the Japanese are at odds with the United States on a number of issues which they are attempting to resolve via their Washington embassy. In case this diplomacy fails, the military are hatching plans for a surprise early Sunday morning air attack on the U.S. base at Pearl Harbor. American intelligence is breaking the Japanese diplomatic messages but few high-ups are prepared to believe that an attack is likely, let alone where or how it might come.

**Train, The**  (1964) DVD

As the Allied forces approach Paris in August 1944, German Colonel Von Waldheim is desperate to take all of France's greatest paintings to Germany. He manages to secure a train to transport the valuable art works even as the chaos of retreat descends upon them. The French resistance however wants to stop them from stealing their national treasures but have received orders from London that they are not to be destroyed. The station master, Labiche, is tasked with scheduling the train and making it all happen smoothly but he is also part of a dwindling group of resistance fighters tasked with preventing the theft. He and others stage an elaborate ruse to keep the train from ever leaving French territory.

**Twelve O’clock High**  (1949) DVD

In this story of the early days of daylight bombing raids over Germany, General Frank Savage must take command of a “hard luck” bomber group. Much of the story deals with his struggle to whip his group into a disciplined fighting unit in spite of heavy losses, and withering attacks by German fighters over their targets. Actual combat footage is used in this tense war drama.

**Von Ryan's Express**  (1965) DVD
American combat pilot Col. Joseph Ryan is shot down over Nazi-controlled Italy and joins U.S. and English WWII troops in a prison camp during the summer of 1943. Given the insulting nickname "Von Ryan" because he initially seems more concerned with surviving than escaping, the colonel eventually leads Allied prisoners, as their new top ranking officer, in a daredevil race for freedom by commandeering an entire German freight train bound for Switzerland, with the Nazis in hot pursuit.

**Wackiest Ship in the Army, The**  
**DVD**

Lieutenant Rip Crandall is hoodwinked into taking command of the "Wackiest Ship in the Navy" - a real garbage scow with a crew of misfits who don't know a jib from a jigger. What none of them knows, including Crandall, is that this ship has a very important top-secret mission to complete in waters patrolled by the Japanese fleet. Their mission will save hundreds of allied lives - if only they can get there in one piece.

**Walk in the Sun, A** (1945) **DVD**

During World War II, American soldiers of the Fighting 36th hit the beach at Salerno and begin their trek across the countryside toward the Nazi-occupied farmhouse they've been ordered to destroy. One of the ranking officers is killed after the platoon lands on the beach. Now Sgt. Tyne must take over and lead the troop. But the rest of these men are infantrymen who aren't thinking about fighting bravely enough to become officers, but to live long enough to become civilians.

**War and remembrance** (1988) **DVD**

For Victor Henry, an upwardly mobile naval career sets him in command of a cruiser with sights on selection for the Admiralty. At the same time, however, Victor must struggle with a failing marriage as well as a love affair with the daughter of a prominent British radio news reporter. Victor's son Byron has equal success as a submarine officer, eventually selected to command his own ship, and yet all the while must deal with the separation of his wife and son who are held in German custody as enemy alien Jews.

**Watch on the Rhine** (1943) **DVD**

Sara and Kurt Muller and their three children are returning to her mother's home in Washington DC after 18 years in Europe. A Romanian Count living there discovers Kurt's attaché case full of money. He also finds out from friends at the German Embassy that Kurt is working with an anti-Nazi underground group in Germany. He tries to blackmail Kurt. Kurt shoots him and must flee. When Sara hears no more of Kurt, she knows that her oldest son Joshua will soon leave to work in the underground.

**Where Eagles Dare** (1968) **DVD**

During WW2 a British aircraft is shot down and crashes in Nazi held territory. The Germans capture the only survivor, an American General, and take him to the nearest SS headquarters. Unknown to the Germans the General has full knowledge of the D-Day operation. The British decide that the General must not be allowed to divulge any details of the Normandy landing at all cost and order Major John Smith to lead a crack commando team to rescue him. Amongst the team is an American Ranger, Lieutenant Schaffer, who is puzzled by his inclusion in an all British operation. When one of the team dies after the parachute drop, Schaffer suspects that Smith's mission has a much more secret objective.

**Without love** (1945) **DVD**

In WWII Pat Jamieson is a scientist working, with Government support, on a high-altitude oxygen mask for fighter pilots. But he has nowhere to conduct his research in secret until he meets Jamie Rowan, a woman with an unused house with
a scientist's basement. Jamie has no hopes of marrying for love (and neither does Pat) but Jamie wants to help the war effort and she likes this quirky scientist and his dog, so to satisfy the proprieties they agree on a business arrangement: a marriage of convenience and partnership. But as the footing of their relationship begins warm up, Jamie is courted by another man and the old flame that broke Pat's heart is back in his life. It will take a sleepwalking ruse, dodging in and out of doors, and a working oxygen mask to get them together again.

**Winter in Wartime - Oorlogswinter** (2008) DVD & BLU-RAY In Dutch with English subtitles

Near the end of World War II, 14-year-old Michiel becomes involved with the Resistance after coming to the aid of a wounded British soldier. With the conflict coming to an end, Michiel comes of age and learns of the stark difference between adventure fantasy and the ugly realities of war.

**Young Lions, The** (1958) DVD

The German officer Christian Diestl approves less and less of the war. Jewish-American Noah Ackerman deals with anti-Semitism at home and in the army while entertainer Michael Whiteacre transforms from playboy to hero.

**Zelary** (2003) DVD In Czech with English subtitles

During WWII, nurse Eliška is part of a secret resistance movement with her lover, surgeon Richard. When he is discovered, she is forced to leave the hospital in order to hide from the Nazis as well. A sympathetic colleague sends her off with a patient whose life she saved, to the remote Moravian mountain village of Želary, where time has stopped, as he has agreed to hide her as his wife. They live in a modest cabin for two years, waiting for the Nazi occupation to end and begin to form a bond despite their differences.