

Movies you can't av



“Elf”

There's no question as to why “Elf” became an instant Christmas movie classic. It offers the traditional sentimentality of a classic Christmas movie, while including side-splitting comedy and iconic one liners. Will Ferrell as the clueless elf, Buddy, and Zooey Deschanel as Jovie, Buddy's love interest, are hilarious. For a Christmas movie that will put you in the holiday spirit while keeping you laughing the whole way through, “Elf” is definitely a contender.

“A Christmas Story”

“A Christmas Story” is the ultimate Christmas classic. Based on the memoirs of Jean Shepherd, “A Christmas Story” follows Ralphie Parker (played by Peter Billingsley) through his pursuit of his dream Christmas present: a Red Ryder Carbine Action 200-shot Range Model air rifle with a compass in the stock and “this thing which tells time.” This movie is full of hilarious moments and episodes that are sure to have you and your whole family rolling on the floor laughing.

“Frosty the Snowman”

“Frosty the Snowman” puts viewers on an emotional roller coaster that they will never forget. Appropriate for all ages, “Frosty the Snowman” pairs the classic story of the snowman who comes to life, thanks to a magic hat and the iconic song that every little kid comes to know and love. The combination produces an amazing movie that has transcended generations.



“A Charlie Brown Christmas”

“Charlie Brown Christmas” has become, for adults and children alike, synonymous with Christmas. It tells the story of Charlie Brown and his friends as they put on a Christmas play and learn to love their less than lush Christmas tree. Watch this movie and discover the true meaning of Christmas with Charlie Brown.



“Santa Claus Conquers the Martians”

This 1964 movie is about a Martian invasion. The Martians are upset with the Earth children's love for Santa Claus. They capture Santa as well as two children and bring them to Mars. While on Mars, Santa encounters many hostile Martians, but eventually he is able to bring joy and happiness even to the Martian kids.



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“Home Alone”

Home Alone is a family movie about a boy named Kevin who gets left alone while his family goes on vacation. This is a classic Christmas movie that encompasses family, humor and the Christmas spirit. Home Alone was filmed in a house in Winnetka, giving the movie a unique feel to many on the North Shore. It also uses the Winnetka Village Hall, and Trinity Church in Wilmette.



“Bad Santa”

This movie flips all Christmas themes on their head. Bad Santa focuses on the life of William Stokes, a mall santa who is an ex-con. William and his sidekick, Marcus the dwarf, rob the mall where they work but run into complications with distractions including, sex, alcohol and cops.



“Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer”

While technically a TV special and not a movie, this stop-motion animation Christmas show takes the classic Christmas song and puts it into a 45-minute story that is just as heart-warming as the characters are adorable.

“A Christmas Story 2: Official Movie”

Nobody asked for it, nobody wanted it, but here it is, the sequel to one of the greatest Christmas movies ever, “A Christmas Story”. Taking place 6 years after the first movie, “A Christmas Story 2” tells the story of 16 year old Ralphie, who only wants a used 1939 Mercury convertible for Christmas. Trying to play off of the original movie by relating the convertible to Ralphie’s original request for an Air Rifle, this movie might be the worst sequel ever made, with no real plot besides the fact that it is the sequel to “A Christmas Story.”