

The Idiot (TV series)

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The Idiot (Russian: **ИДИОТЪ**) is a costume drama TV series produced by Russia TV Channel in 2003 based on Fyodor Dostoevsky's novel with the same title.

Series script is very close to original text of Dostoevsky, well-known Russian actors and playing in the film, and, according to additional materials on DVD, serious effort made to make historical scenes, clothes in film.

The series was branded by the novel's original pre-1920's orthography title "и́диотъ" (in all caps) instead of the current "идиот" as one will find it on the bookshelves in Russia (to promote the atmosphere of the tsarist time when the film's plot takes place). This branded title "ИДИОТЪ" can be seen at the beginning of each part and on the cover of the DVD release.

The series consists of 10 sequels each approximately 50 minutes.

Staff and Actors

Vladimir Bortko (Владимир Бортко)	director
Valery Todorovsky (Валерий Тодоровский)	producer
Igor Kornelyuk (Игорь Корнелюк)	music

Actors

Evgeny Mironov (Евгений Миронов)	prince Myshkin
Lidiya Velezheva (Лидия Вележева)	Nastasya Filipovna
Vladimir Mashkov (Владимир Машков)	Parfyon Rogozhin
Aleksandr Lazarev Jr. (Александр Лазарев мл.)	Gavrilya Ardalionovich Ivolgin
Oleg Basilashvili (Олег Басилашвили)	general Ivan Yepanchin
Inna Churikova (Инна Чурикова)	Lizveta Prokof'yevna Yepanchina, general Yepanchin's wife
Ol'ga Budina (Ольга Будина)	Aglaya Ivanovna Yepanchina, their youngest daughter
Aleksandr Domogarov (Александр Домогаров)	Evgeny Pavlovich (Aglaya's suitor)
Aleksey Petrenko (Алексей Петренко)	general Ardalion Ivolgin, Ganya's father
Vladimir Il'in (Владимир Ильин)	Lebedev

Trivia

On several occasions in the series one can observe "today's" Russian flag, the white-

blue-red tricolour. This, however is the director's mistake: Dostoevsky himself died in 1881, and the novel plays consequently earlier (written 1869). While this flag was already used in tsarist Russia, it was admitted for use on land in 1883 only (previously used on sea), and became official flag of the empire in 1896 only. Thus, correctly, the black-gold-silver tsarist flag should have been used in the film.

External links

- *The Idiot* (<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0366028/>) at the Internet Movie Database
- Movie Trailer (<http://russart.com/?movietrailer&mid=623>) and Screenshots (<http://russart.com/?moviepictures&mid=623>)
- Page on Yevgeny Mironov's Official Website (<http://emironov.com/page.php?b=k&t=2&nm=idiot>)

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