

British gangster movie shot in Marbella to premiere at local festival



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Rise of the Footsoldier Marbella is set to get its world premiere during the town's Film Festival on Friday 4 October

MARBELLA. A British crime movie filmed across Marbella and Estepona is to get its world premiere in Puerto Banús on 4 October.

Rise of the Footsoldier Marbella follows British gangster Pat Tate who travels to the Costa del Sol town after escaping prison in the UK.

Billed as Britain's answer to Narcos, the movie was filmed around locations including Cabopino Port, La Quinta Hills in Benahavis, Aloha Pueblo, the Golden Mile and the old Heaven Beach Club in Estepona.

Terry Stone, who plays the character Tony Tucker in the film, told



A scene from the film Rise of the Footsoldier Marbella. :: SUR

SUR in English that the latest instalment is still a violent crime film, but that it would appeal to a lot of people.

He explained: "Most people like crime films whether they live that life or fantasise about living that life, or they just enjoy it as an escapism. If you look at Martin Scorsese, gangster films have been around for so

long, even the black and white one such as Humphrey Bogart, so for decades there's been a fascination with crime and gangsters. If you make a good film, people will watch it."

The original Rise of the Footsoldier was released in September 2007, and is based on the true story of the 1995 Rottendon murders and the autobiography of Carlton Leach, a

football hooligan of the infamous Inner City Firm.

The fourth film follows on from the other three films, where fresh out of prison Pat Tate (Craig Fairbrass) jets off to Marbella to seek revenge on the man who put him away.

Film director Andrew Loveday, who also plays the character Terry

Fisher in the film, told SUR in English: "It's a bit of a cult film."

He explained: "In the previous film Pat Tate comes to Marbella where he meets a Marbella gangster, played by Larry Lamb, and he ends up in trouble. Lamb and his cronies take him back to Gibraltar and hand him over to British police and he goes back to England and that's why he was in prison. So our film picks up from there and he can't stop thinking about Lamb, so then he comes over to avenge him and meets me."

Andrew added that the crew decided to do something different by holding the world premiere of the latest instalment of the film in Marbella.

Fellow actor David Mahoney, who plays "Dave" in the film, added: "We've hired out all the screens at the Teatro Goya. So all the VIPs, the cast and crew will be there. So you can buy a ticket and get in there and watch the movie with all the atmosphere and then go next door and meet everyone."

The film also stars Jessica Wright, Roland Manookian, Craig Fairbrass, Conor Benn, Nick Nevern and Emily Wyatt.

Tickets for the red carpet event cost 100 euros, with the premiere starting at 7.30pm at the Teatro Goya in Puerto Banús (<https://footsoldier.eventbrite.com>). The ticket price also covers the entrance fee to the Celebrity VIP After Party at Club TIBU, where Brandon Block, Alex P and a number of DJs will be playing.

Terry Stone Actor

"It's like Only Fools and Horses meets Scarface"

Terry Stone, 48, is an English actor who began his acting and producing career in May 2003 and over the past 16 years has carved a career on both sides of the camera.

A former rave promoter, Terry, who plays the character Tony Tucker, said all the characters in the film were based on real people.

He said: "Tony Tucker used to look after Nigel Benn and would walk him to the ring, they were good pals.

"Nigel didn't want to be in the film as he is a born-again Christian and his wife would kill him, basically, but his

son (Conor Benn) jumped on it, and when you see him, he does look like his dad.

"They've re-created the McClellan-Benn fight, so there is some great stuff in this film.



"It's still violent and it's still a crime film, but they've also focused on the humour."

He joked: "It's like Only Fools and Horses meets Scarface."

Andrew Loveday Director

"We used Cabopino - Puerto Banús was too busy"

Director Andrew Loveday, who also plays the character Terry Fisher, told SUR in English that filming around Marbella proved challenging at times. He explained that



some scenes set in Puerto Banús were actually filmed in Cabopino Port. He said: "We used Cabopino as we couldn't film down at Puerto Banús; it was just too busy. Because we were filming 1995, it was impossible to shoot there with all the cars."

Parts of the movie were filmed in Amsterdam's Red Light District, he said, where they ended up bribing Hells Angels and flying in their own women from Rotterdam.

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