



The Shining

Directed by Stanley Kubrick

Review by Miles



Horror

Rated R

What originally made you interested in reading/watching/playing this media? How did you hear about it or come across it?

I had heard about this movie for a long time and wanted to watch it because it is a part of Kubrick's filmography, and he is my favorite director.

Is it part of a series? If so, what series is it?

No

What is this media about? Make sure to give enough interesting details without spoiling too much!

This film is about a family who agree to be the caretakers of a secluded hotel in the offseason. The hotel's supernatural characteristics eventually drive Jack Torrance, the husband, crazy, leading to a struggle between him and his family.

Who are the main characters? What makes them interesting or unique?

Jack Torrance is very interesting due to his vivid hallucinations that we see, which reveal both his growing insanity and the history of the hotel. His son, Danny, is key to the plot as he "shines", meaning that he has psychic powers.

Does this media remind you of anything else you've read/watched/played?

The camera work and dialogue reminds me somewhat of other Kubrick films, but overall, this film is unlike any other.

What type of person might enjoy this media? For example, this book is for someone who likes Percy Jackson, someone who enjoys getting scared, someone who likes a challenge, etc.

Of course, anyone who enjoys horror will enjoy this movie; however, there aren't any jumpscars or other gimmicks, making it much more of a psychological thriller. For this reason, even those like myself who aren't fans of horror can still enjoy it.

Did you like this media? Would you recommend it to others? Why or why not?

I would absolutely recommend this film to others, since it's such an influential and culturally significant work.

Do you like the cover? Does it convey what the media is about?

I don't really like the cover. It doesn't convey what the film is about, and confuses potential viewers more than it should.