

## District 9 in Theaters

***The Film, produced by Peter Jackson, takes place in Johannesburg, South Africa. District 9 is based on Alive in Joburg, a short film directed by Neill Blomkamp***

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This Movie opens with a documentary-style series of interviews that introduce the situation. The movie takes place in 2010. Twenty years before, an alien ship is said to have come towards Earth and arrived above Johannesburg, South Africa. After having it hover above the city for three months without any contact, eventually humans take the initiative and cut into the ship. They thus discover a large group of sick and malnourished aliens, later assessed as apparently being all "workers", with their leadership mysteriously missing. It is hypothesized that a plague may have wiped out all of the leadership-caste. Footage is also seen showing part of the ship (supposed to be a command module) falling to Earth, with nobody able to find it, which is supposed to have left the ship stranded. The creatures, primarily referred to as "prawns" (a derogatory reference to the sea creature which they resemble) or, more rarely, "non-humans", are housed in a government camp right below the ship, inside Johannesburg. Overcrowding and militarization eventually turn the area into a slum known as District 9.

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