

The Unauthorized Guide to Doctor Who: The 2009 Specials About Time

The year 2009 was a big one for Doctor Who. Not only did the show celebrate its 45th anniversary, but it also aired four specials that bridged the gap between the fourth and fifth seasons. These specials, collectively known as "About Time," featured the Tenth Doctor (David Tennant) and his companions Donna Noble (Catherine Tate) and Rose Tyler (Billie Piper).

This unauthorized guide will take you behind the scenes of the 2009 Doctor Who specials. You'll learn about the episodes, the characters, and the production process. You'll also find exclusive interviews with the cast and crew.

The 2009 Doctor Who specials consisted of four episodes:



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- **The End of Time, Part Two** (New Year's Day Special)

"Voyage of the Damned" is a standalone episode that follows the Doctor and Donna as they investigate a distress call from the starship Titanic. The episode features a guest appearance by Kylie Minogue as Astrid Peth, a waitress who becomes the Doctor's companion.

"The Next Doctor" is a multi-Doctor story that features the Tenth Doctor, the Fifth Doctor (Peter Davison), and the Eighth Doctor (Paul McGann). The episode follows the Doctor as he investigates a mysterious energy field that is threatening to destroy the universe.

"Planet of the Dead" is a two-part story that follows the Doctor, Donna, and Rose as they investigate a mysterious planet that is home to a race of giant ants. The episode features a guest appearance by Michelle Ryan as Lady Christina de Souza, a human who becomes the Doctor's companion.

"The Waters of Mars" is a two-part story that follows the Doctor, Donna, and Adelaide Brooke (Lindsay Duncan) as they investigate a mysterious water source on Mars. The episode features a guest appearance by David Morrissey as Jackson Lake, a scientist who becomes the Doctor's companion.

"The End of Time, Part One" is the first part of a two-part story that follows the Doctor as he faces his greatest challenge yet. The episode features a guest appearance by John Simm as the Master, the Doctor's archenemy.

"The End of Time, Part Two" is the to the two-part story that follows the Doctor as he faces his greatest challenge yet. The episode features a guest appearance by Bernard Cribbins as Wilfred Mott, the Doctor's companion.

The 2009 Doctor Who specials featured a wide range of characters, including:

- **The Doctor (David Tennant):** The Tenth Doctor is a Time Lord who travels through time and space in his TARDIS. He is a brilliant scientist and inventor, but he is also a compassionate and caring individual.
- **Donna Noble (Catherine Tate):** Donna is the Doctor's companion. She is a working-class woman from London who is always getting into trouble. However, she is also a loyal and courageous friend.
- **Rose Tyler (Billie Piper):** Rose is the Doctor's former companion. She is a young woman from London who is always ready for an adventure.
- **The Master (John Simm):** The Master is the Doctor's archenemy. He is a Time Lord who has turned to evil.
- **Wilfred Mott (Bernard Cribbins):** Wilfred is the Doctor's companion. He is a retired soldier who is always there for the Doctor when he needs him.

The 2009 Doctor Who specials were produced by Russell T Davies and Steven Moffat. The episodes were directed by Euros Lyn, James Strong,

Graeme Harper, and Catherine Morshead.

The specials were filmed in a variety of locations, including London, Cardiff, and Scotland. The production team also used a number of special effects to create the show's unique visuals.

The 2009 Doctor Who specials were a critical and commercial success. The episodes were praised for their writing, acting, and production values. The specials also helped to introduce a new generation of fans to the show.

The 2009 Doctor Who specials are an essential part of the show's history. They are a must-watch for any fan of the show.

In addition to the information above, this unauthorized guide also includes exclusive interviews with the cast and crew of the 2009 Doctor Who specials. These interviews provide a behind-the-scenes look at the making of the show.

- **David Tennant on Playing the Doctor**
- **Catherine Tate on Playing Donna Noble**
- **Billie Piper on Playing Rose Tyler**
- **John Simm on Playing the Master**
- **Bernard Cribbins on Playing Wilfred Mott**
- **Russell T Davies on Writing the Specials**
- **Steven Moffat on Producing the Specials**

This unauthorized guide has provided you with a comprehensive look at the Doctor Who 2009 Specials About Time. You've learned about the episodes, the characters, the production process, and the legacy of the specials. You've also had the opportunity



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