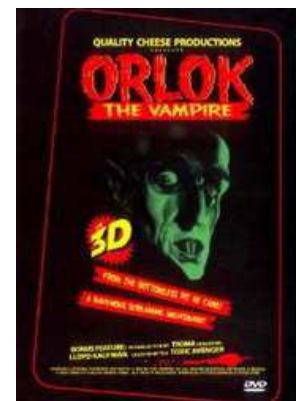
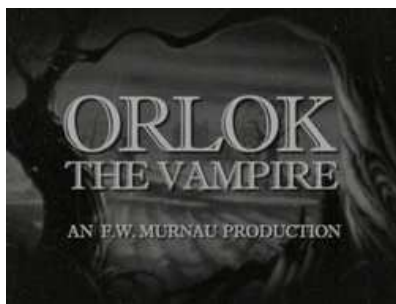




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Orlok the Vampire 3-D (Nosferatu)

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Theatrical Release Date: Germany, 1922

Director: F.W. Murnau

Writer: Henrik Galeen

Cast: Max Schreck, Gustav von Wangenheim, Greta Schröder, Alexander Granach, Georg H. Schnell, Ruth Landshoff, John Gottowt, Gustav Botz, Max Nemetz, Wolfgang Heinz, Albert Venohr, Eric van Viele, Karl Etlinger, Guido Herzfeld, Fanny Schreck, Hardy von Francois, Heinrich Witte

DVD released: March 23rd, 2010

Approximate running time: 91 minutes

Aspect Ratio: 1.33:1 Full Frame

Rating: NR

Sound: Dolby Digital Mono

Subtitles: English Text

DVD Release: IMFILMS / Quality Cheese Productions

Region Coding: Region 0 NTSC

Retail Price: \$12.95

Orlok the Vampire, or as it is better known as *Nosferatu* is widely considered one of the greatest horror films ever made. The plot for *Nosferatu* was adapted from Bram Stoker's novel *Dracula*. And because *Nosferatu* was an unofficial adaptation the film nearly faded away into obscurity when all prints of the film were ordered to be destroyed after the Bram Stoker estate successfully sued for copyright infringement. Fortunately a few prints of *Nosferatu* survived destruction and the film lives on to this day.

Over the years *Nosferatu* has been released numerous times by countless budget VHS / DVD companies which specialize in product that is or is assumed to be in the public domain. This release which presents the film for the first time ever in 3-D is yet another PD release which fails to give this legendary film the presentation it deserves. Besides presenting this film in 3-D even though it was meant to be seen in 2-D. The film has been completely re-scored, sound effects like laughing and grunting have been added and many of the inter title cards which bear the dialog have



been altered. The 3-D presentation is a mixed bag and while the option to view the film in a 2-D version has been provided with this release. The 2-D version included with this release features the same changes present in the 3-D presentation, minus the 3-D effect.

Extras for this release include a pair of 3-Glasses, a text based extra on how to properly view 3-D and a wise cracking introduction before the film from Troma's Lloyd Kaufman who says that this film is a shot by shot remake of *Schindler's List*. Overall there are much better presentations of *Nosferatu* then this DVD release which completely changes the tone of the film.

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