

## The Grapes of Wrath (film)

The Grapes of Wrath is a 1940 American drama film directed by John Ford. It was based on John Steinbeck's 1939 Pulitzer Prize-winning novel of the same name. The screenplay was written by Nunnally Johnson and the executive producer was Darryl F. Zanuck. [3]

The film tells the story of the Joads, an Oklahoma family of sharecroppers, who, after losing their farm to increased mechanization during the Great Depression in the 1930s, become migrant workers, and end up in California. The motion picture details their arduous journey across the United States as they travel to California in search of work and opportunities for the family members, and features cinematography by Gregg Toland.

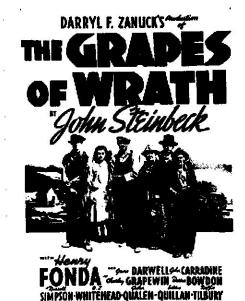
The film is widely considered to be one of the greatest films of all time. In 1989, it was one of the first 25 films selected by the Library of Congress for preservation in the United States National Film Registry for being "culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant". [4][5]



## Cast

- Henry Fonda as Tom Joad
- Jane Darwell as "Ma" Joad
- John Carradine as Jim Casy
- Charley Grapewin as William James "Grandpa" Joad
- Dorris Bowdon as Rose of Sharon "Rosasharn" Joad
- Russell Simpson as "Pa" Joad
- O. Z. Whitehead as Al Joad
- John Qualen as Muley Graves
- Eddie Quillan as Connie Rivers
- Zeffie Tilbury as Grandma Joad
- Frank Sully as Noah Joad
- Frank Darien as Uncle John
- Darryl Hickman as Winfield Joad
- Shirley Mills as Ruth "Ruthie" Joad

The Grapes of Wrath



Theatrical release poster

YOHN FORD == 185 SEPTEN

**Directed by** 

John Ford

Screenplay by

Nunnally Johnson

Based on

The Grapes of

Wrath

by John

Steinbeck

Produced by

Darryl F. Zanuck

Nunnally

Johnson

Starring

Henry Fonda

Jane Darwell

John Carradine

**Shirley Mills** 

John Qualen

Eddie Quillan

Cinematography

Gregg Toland

**Edited by** 

Robert L.

Simpson

MUSIC: ALFREDNEWMAN RUHNIN

RUHNINGTIME: 129 MINUTES