

The Battle for Empire

Winston Churchill called it the 'worst disaster in British History'.

Brought to the screen in an exciting major motion picture.

The First Major Film that really tells the story.

It is 1941 and charismatic Admiralty engineer, **HARRY PENNINGTON**, falls for the beautiful **OLIVIA OVERELL**, society catch of Singapore and heiress to a rubber fortune. Olivia's father however has plans for his daughter to marry **GEORGE JAMISON**, heir to the Jamison plantations, which will further his own business empire.

War clouds gather but Singapore's residents remain naively unconcerned. Singapore has been hailed the "impregnable fortress", and the great new Naval Base where Harry works, as the "bastion of the defence of the Far East". As Harry pursues Olivia, he finds his life complicated by a newly arrived and feisty young Australian nurse, **KATE MCDONALD**, who seems to have more of a grip on the situation in Singapore than the locals.

As a deterrent to the Japanese Prime Minister Churchill sends his newest and most powerful battleship, the **PRINCE OF WALES**, fresh from battling the **BISMARCK** in the North Atlantic, along with the battlecruiser, **REPULSE**. The ships arrive to find Singapore more like a party town than a city on the brink of war. When the Japanese attack from the air without warning Harry finds himself on the battleship on an emergency mission to try to block the Japanese from landing troops.

PRINCE of WALES is attacked by torpedo bombers and inexplicably loses power and begins to flood after only one strike. Harry bravely risks his life to try to find out what has happened and save the ship but when he realizes the ship is lost he turns his attention to saving others. The sea battle ends in catastrophe as the two capital ships are dramatically and spectacularly sunk, taking with them 840 men.

As the Japanese fight their way relentlessly overland down the Malay Peninsula, Harry finds himself caught up in the unfolding dramas of both Kate and Olivia. He defies orders to return to England and joins a newly formed Malay Regiment that is desperate for support.

By the third act Singapore is desperately fighting for survival. Harry is thrown together with Kate during a brutal massacre at the military hospital and there are tough decisions to be made in the last tragic hours before the Japanese take the stricken city.

In the style of Titanic, **SINGAPORE SUNSET** – Battle for Empire is a historical romance, a story of a shocking disaster that no-one believed would happen. It is based on true events and the real life experiences of the writer's family.

SINGAPORE SUNSET is the story of the disastrous fall of Singapore and the incredible emotional journey of it's residents, set against the twilight of the British Empire in the Orient.