

# THE WAR TO END ALL WARS

## THE MOVIE

### ABOUT THE MOVIE

Sabaton is proud to present “The War To End All Wars – The Movie”, created in a collaboration with Yarnhub Animation Studios. This is a 67-minute long musical motion picture which features songs from Sabaton’s 10th studio album, “The War To End All Wars”. The movie vividly tells the stories of World War I, granting viewers a better understanding of what the songs on the album were written about. It is a musical and historical adventure covering various topics.



“The War To End All Wars” movie is a cohesive, thought-provoking and emotionally charged piece, with a heavy focus on storytelling. A lot of research and effort has been put into it to ensure it depicts history in the most accurate way possible.

The “History Rocks” project is an ode to the First World War and signifies the end of Sabaton’s chapter on World War 1 before the band explores new historical timelines.

The movie is being released in the English language but will be made available with multiple subtitles that will suit audience.

**TRAILER:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G2m4rP4w-gg>

## ABOUT SABATON

Founded in 1999 in Falun, Sweden, Sabaton is a five-piece rock band that is world renowned for its fact-based music about history. The group has over 3 million monthly listeners on Spotify alone as well as millions of social media followers spanning Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, TikTok and YouTube. It prides itself on its dedication to telling history from a non-political and unbiased standpoint, and covers subjects including but not limited to WW1, WW2 and the Swedish Empire. Considered one of the most hardworking bands in the industry, this group is self-managed, tours the world annually, and has acquired top billed spots at some of the world’s biggest music festivals. Over the years, the band has been awarded an impressive collection of gold and platinum album accolades in various countries.



Not only does Sabaton make music about history, but the band also releases educational animated videos on its main YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/@Sabaton>) and well-researched documentaries on its Sabaton History channel (<https://www.youtube.com/@sabatonhistory>), with the help of historians and researchers. Sabaton’s official website (<https://www.sabaton.net>) also features a historical calendar with detailed articles about the story behind every song. The historical material Sabaton releases is often used as a teaching tool in educational institutions, as an alternative method of learning.

In early 2023 it was announced that Sabaton would be the recipient of The Swedish Skeptics Association's prestigious "Enlightener of the Year Award 2022". This accolade is an annual title that began in 1987. It is traditionally presented to academics, authors, journalists and media outlets that go above and beyond what is expected in order to educate people. The association hand-picked Sabaton specifically for its ability to deliver factual content and expressed that the band stands out from its contemporaries and peers in the music scene for its dedication to giving truthful, historical accounts with the assistance of qualified historians and experts.

## TESTIMONIALS

### ***President of the Swedish Skeptics Association, Pontus Böckman:***

"Sabaton combines its artistic work with public education in a unique way. In a world where we are inundated with fake news and conspiracy theories, fact-checked information is delivered from the last place many would expect – a heavy metal band."

### ***Gothenburg Aviation Museum, Aerozeum, Mattias Isaksson:***

"For our "Aviation History" project and our ambition to include audio and visuals into our exhibitions, we discovered Sabaton and Yarnhub's video of the Night Witches. From there came the idea to make dioramas with film and Sabaton music, and our visitors have enjoyed this combination!"

### ***Music teacher (class 6), Bergvretenskolan, Patrik Ohlsson:***

"For a project, my students were tasked with analysing the songs from Sabaton's latest album, and the response was great. The students learned a lot and were very engaged."

### ***Vice President of Education and Interpretation, WWI Museum and Memorial (Kansas, US), Lora Vogt, National:***

"Certainly, there is artistic licence taken in the movie, but what I found so extraordinary was the team's choice of stories. What a wonderful vehicle Sabaton has made to show the diversity of individuals and engagements of the war. Really fantastic! We look forward to sharing it with our audiences."



# HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF “THE WAR TO END ALL WARS – THE MOVIE”



Below are the historical events and figures mentioned in Sabaton’s animated film, “The War To End All Wars – The Movie”. For each topic, more information regarding the event is provided, along with the connected Sabaton song and Sabaton History episode on YouTube. The Sabaton History episodes provide extensive information on each event and provide insight into the idea behind writing the song.

## **The Battle of the Yser (1914) - Belgium**

The Battle of the Yser, which took place during World War 1, began on October 16, 1914. The Entente and the Belgians successfully crushed the Germans’ hopes of continuing the Schlieffen Plan. Each attempt was foiled by entrenched machine guns and artillery, as well as by the deliberate flooding of the Yser Canal, which affected the German trenches.

**Sabaton song:** “Race To The Sea”

**Listen to the song:** <https://music.sabaton.net/Racetothesea>

**Sabaton History Episode:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lfZACJ0LOgg>

## **Milunka Savić (1888-1973) - Serbia**

A celebrated Serbian war hero, Milunka Savić is one of the world's most decorated female combatants who fought in both Balkan Wars and World War 1. She is known for cutting off her hair and changing her appearance to look like a man in order to take her brother’s place in the army.

**Sabaton song:** “Lady Of The Dark”

**Listen to the song:** <https://music.sabaton.net/Ladyofthedark>

**Sabaton History Episode:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jW2gcOlhxhU>

## **The Christmas Truce of 1914 – The Western Front**

An act of trust during World War 1, on December 24, 1914, an unofficial Christmas Truce was enforced on the Western Front. British and German soldiers united, mingled and even played games together - a rare but magical moment of peace.

**Sabatón song:** "Christmas Truce"

**Listen to the song:** <https://music.sabatón.net/ChristmasTruce>

**Sabatón History Episode:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LJq64dF5ZfQ>

## **First Stormtrooper unit authorised on the Western Front (1915) – France**

The Stormtroopers were specialist soldiers of the German Army who used precise infiltration tactics to target their enemies during World War 1. During their assaults they would apply a deadly mix of shock, surprise and ultra violence.

**Sabatón song:** "Stormtroopers"

**Listen to the song:** <https://music.sabatón.net/Stormtroopers>

**Sabatón History Episode:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YiGKCtoeFsg>

## **The HMS Dreadnought – North Sea**

In 1906, the HMS Dreadnought was officially launched at sea. This mighty battleship was armed with greater speed, greater range and larger guns than any other vessel. It sparked a global naval arms race.

**Sabatón song:** "Dreadnought"

**Listen to the song:** <https://music.sabatón.net/Dreadnought>

**Sabatón History Episode:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=14HwpXli6kA>

## **Sir Adrian Carton de Wiart (1880-1963) – Coast of France**

A man with war in his blood, Sir Adrian Carton De Wiart was of Belgian heritage but fought for the British Empire during World War 1. Throughout his stints at war, he was injured multiple times, and despite the severity of his wounds, survived. He became known as the 'man who could not be killed'.

**Sabatón song:** "The Unkillable Soldier"

**Listen to the song:** <https://music.sabatón.net/TheUnkillableSoldier>

**Sabatón History Episode:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NpR1pgjDA74>

## **The Battle for the Col di Lana Summit (1916) – Mount Marmolada**

At 23:30 on April 17, 1916, the Italians, who were up against the Austro-Hungarian Empire, detonated 5,000kg of Nitro-Gelatine. Around 200 Austrian soldiers were killed in the explosion and the following assault, and the Italians secured the Col di Lana summit.

**Sabatón song:** "Soldier Of Heaven"

**Listen to the song:** <https://music.sabatón.net/SoldierOfHeaven>

**Sabatón History Episode:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UZ4CJ9f-JEc>

## **The Battle of Doiran (1917) – Macedonian Front**

During the Battles of Doiran (in 1916, 1917 and 1918), the Bulgarians tenaciously defended their well-prepared positions against British troops. Three times the attackers went up against the lines and three times they were beaten back.

**Sabaton song:** "Valley Of Death"

**Listen to the song:** <https://music.sabaton.net/TheValleyofDeath>

**Sabaton History Episode:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ywzx6c80UdY>

## The USA's Harlem Hellfighters assigned to fight in WW1 (1917) - France

On April 8, 1917, the 369th Infantry Regiment, known as the USA's Harlem Hellfighters, was called into Federal service at Camp Whitman in New York. There, they learned basic military practices to prepare for what was to follow. Less than a year later in 1918, the regiment was assigned to fight in World War 1 alongside the French army. They also fought in World War 2. The brave Harlem Hellfighters were mainly African American and Puerto Rican soldiers, and they were not allowed to fight alongside the ordinary American soldiers.

**Sabaton song:** "Hellfighters"

**Listen to the song:** <https://music.sabaton.net/Hellfighters>

**Sabaton History Episode:** -

Website: <https://movie.sabaton.net/>

