

Spartak i Kalashnikov

("Spartak and Kalashnikov")

Russian Federation : 2002 : dir. : : 95 min

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[Grigori Khristoforov](#)

Yevgeni Krajinov; Vladimir Menshov; Andrei Panin; Yaroslav Roshchin; Irina Rozanova;
Grigori Siyatvinda; Yuri Stepanov; Darya Yakamasova; Yelena Zakharova; Ignat Akrachkov

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A quintessentially Russian face. The boy is beautiful, in the careless take-it-or-leave-it way of that age. Women spend a fortune on cosmetics trying to emulate the lip colour, eye shadow and faint blush to the cheeks this boy has by nature. No wonder they resent boys so much!



In the era of Yeltsin and Putin, Russian society has undergone a seismic upheaval infinitely more traumatic than the events of September 11th for the American people. We hear little about in the smug triumphant west, but it's to be expected that this trauma will play out in much of contemporary Russian cinema.

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CVMC video retail/rental website review:

"From Russia comes this charming tale about the friendship between a boy, roughly twelve years of age, and his dog. NOTE: This movie is in Russian with NO ENGLISH SUBTITLES OR DUBBING."

[no listing in "Leonard Maltin's Movie and Video Guide 2001"]

No further information currently available. Watching a foreign language film without the benefit of subtitles is a strangely masochistic exercise (having done it myself) and scarcely does the film justice. However, all credit to CVMC for alerting us to the existence of these titles. A few more details might be helpful, all the same. Nothing else is known of Grigori Khristoforov.

See, for an interesting point of comparison, the same year's US title "**MY DOG SKIP**", and subject index under **DOGS** and [EASTERN EUROPE / SOVIET BLOC](#).