

“TUCKER & DALE” vs. distribution

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Unless you've been living under a rock with no Internet, chances are you've at least heard of TUCKER & DALE VS. EVIL in passing. The premise seems empty at first: While fixing up a rundown cabin in the woods, the titular hillbillies are mistaken for psycho killers by some vacationing college kids. Nothing particularly new or exciting there—until you learn that our bumbling rednecks are played by none other than Alan Tudyk (FIREFLY, DOLLHOUSE) and REAPER's Tyler Labine, who play hilariously well together.

TUCKER & DALE VS. EVIL has the makings of a new horror/comedy classic, right up there with ZOMBIELAND and SHAUN OF THE DEAD, and reviews from festival attendees have had nothing but good things to say about the film. Thus, it comes as something of a shock that it currently has no distributor within the U.S., despite solid deals in Canada, the UK and other territories. Currently, Stateside fans' only hope of seeing the flick is to catch it at one of the upcoming fests where it's being shown (see details below).

The filmmakers behind TUCKER & DALE are still determined to lock in a theatrical distribution deal—but will have to do so by raising their own prints-and-advertising funds. Fango checked in with director Eli Craig, who is guardedly optimistic about being able to pull together enough cash from private equity fund and film financiers to push one of the studios into releasing his movie theatrically. “We're going to do this,” he tells Fango. “We're going to make this happen. And to a large degree, it will happen because of the tremendous support from people who have seen the film and continue to get the word out about it!”

You can see TUCKER & DALE's trailer below; the next chance to see the film itself will be at the [Malibu Film Festival](#) this Thursday, April 29 (order tickets [here](#)), followed by the [36th Annual Seattle Film Festival](#) in May. If you want to see TUCKER & DALE picked up for distribution, go to its [Facebook page](#) for more information on what you can do to help. It would be a shame if this film failed to receive the recognition and the audience it deserves.

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