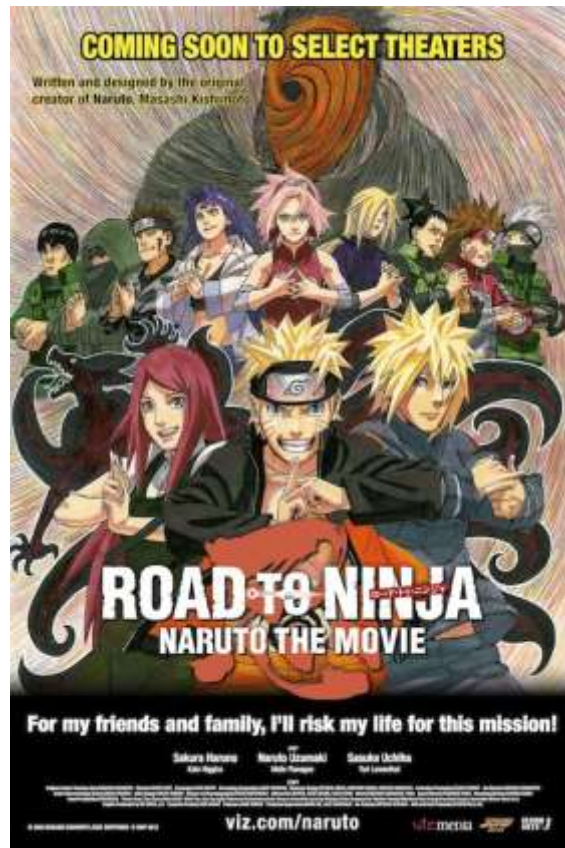


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LANGUAGE: English Dubbed

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## About “Naruto” Franchise

Following the adventures of a rambunctious ninja harboring in his body the spirit of an evil nine-tailed fox, Masashi Kishimoto’s Naruto is an internationally regarded manga that has inspired three anime television series, seven animated films, seventeen novels, and over forty video games. Introducing US audiences to the ninja saga in 2003 with the publication of the manga in Shonen Jump USA, Viz Media subsequently released beginning in 2005 Naruto (2002-2007), the original anime adaption of the manga, and Naruto Shippuden (2007-Present), the continuation of Naruto anime taking place two and a half years after the first series.

Naruto has become one of the most popular and recognizable anime and manga series in the United States, with the manga volumes frequently appearing on the New York Times and USA Today Best Sellers List and the Naruto Shippuden anime ranked as one of the top three anime series by the Los Angeles Times. With over 683 chapters and 367 anime episodes and more to come, Naruto continues to be a pillar in the US’s anime and manga culture.

### Facts:

- In April 2014, Naruto Vol. 65 was #1 nationwide in US bookstores according to Nielsen BookScans
- A single Naruto episode receives an average of streaming 160,000 accesses.
- Naruto Vol. 7 won the 2006 Quill Award for Best Graphic Novel, the first manga to win the award.



## About Road to Ninja – Naruto the Movie

*Road to Ninja – Naruto the Movie* is the sixth movie in the *Naruto Shippuden* series, and premiered in Japan in the summer of 2012. It features a story and designs created by Masashi Kishimoto.

Long ago, a mysterious masked shinobi unleashed the Nine-Tailed Fox onto the Village Hidden in the Leaves to spread chaos and destruction. But the Fourth Hokage, Minato Namikaze, and his wife Kushina Uzumaki sealed the Tailed Beast into their newborn son Naruto to save the village, foiling the shinobi's plan.

Years later, Naruto and his friends succeed in driving away the infamous Akatsuki, who have mysteriously returned from the dead. Upon returning to the village, the young shinobi are praised by their families for completing a dangerous mission. Reminded of how alone he is, Naruto begins to wonder what it's like to have parents, when a strange masked figure appears before him – the same masked shinobi responsible for the death of his parents!



## **VOICE CAST AND CREW**

### **CREW**

Original-Author Planning-Story: Masashi Kishimoto  
Director: Hayato Date  
Screenplay: Yuka Miyata  
Screenplay Cooperation: Junki Takegami  
Character Design: Tetsuya Nishio  
Hirofumi Suzuki  
Hiroyuki Yamashita  
Animation Production: Studio Pierrot  
Art Director: Norihiko Yokomatsu  
Action Director/Image Board: Junichi Takaoka  
Color Design: Takuya Kawami  
Director of Cinematography: Atsuhō Matsumoto  
Editors: Seiji Morita  
Yukie Oikawa  
Yuichi Oono  
Music: Yasuharu Takanashi  
Yaiba  
Sound Director: Yasunori Ebina  
Recording Director: Chiharu Kamio  
Sound Production: Rakuonsha  
Theme Song Performed by: Asian Kung-fu Generation

### **VOICE CAST**

NARUTO: Maile Flanagan  
SARUKA: Kate Higgins  
MINATO: Tony Oliver  
KUSHINA: Laura Bailey  
MEBUKI: Kate Higgins  
KIZASHI: Steve Blum  
KAKASHI: Dave Wittenberg  
GUY: Skip Stellrecht  
IRUKA: Quinton Flynn  
SASUKE: Yuri Lowenthal