

# International box office

## 4 Couples Retreat

Universal Pictures International's comedy *Couples Retreat*, starring Vince Vaughn, enjoyed a 133% increase in three-day takings on its second week of international release, opening at number one in Russia (on \$1.6m from 297 screens) and Ukraine (\$272,000 from 340) and number two in the UK (\$2.2m from 380). It was held off the top spot in the UK by Walt Disney SMP's *Up* which dropped just 19%, taking \$8.4m and occupying a mammoth 746 screens. Currently in five markets, *Couples Retreat* expands to further territories throughout the rest of this year.



## 11 Blue

Bollywood production *Blue* is the highest new entry in the chart, just outside the top 10 on \$4.7m from 988 screens in 17 markets. The underwater action picture, which sees pop singer Kylie Minogue making a cameo, opened 10th in the UK, grossing a respectable \$352,000 from 51 screens.

## 29 The Imaginarium Of Doctor Parnassus

Terry Gilliam's *The Imaginarium Of Doctor Parnassus* began its international run in the UK through Lionsgate, placing third over the three-day weekend on \$1.5m from 265 screens. The fantasy — starring the late Heath Ledger with Jude Law, Johnny Depp and Colin Farrell as facets of Ledger's character — follows a mysterious travelling theatre company that has made a deal with the Devil. *Imaginarium* opens in Australia and Italy this weekend, with further debuts through to March 2010.



## ANALYSIS International box-office weekend October 16-18

(Last week)	Film (origin)	3-day Gross \$	Scrs	Cume \$	Terr
1 (1)	<b>Up</b> (US)	\$29,774,039	4,602	\$295,153,809	26
2 (4)	<b>G-Force</b> (US)	\$12,645,774	2,889	\$127,462,782	36
3 (5)	<b>The Ugly Truth</b> (US)	\$8,643,599	2,332	\$93,854,909	58
4 (18)	<b>Couples Retreat</b> (US)	\$6,764,175	938	\$10,754,330	5
5 (2)	<b>Inglourious Basterds</b> (US)	\$6,695,715	2,539	\$166,420,411	48
6 (16)	<b>District 9</b> (US-NZ-S Afr)	\$6,202,488	2,233	\$77,117,058	44
7 (3)	<b>Le Petit Nicolas</b> (Fr)	\$5,443,992	654	\$26,011,585	3
8 (14)	<b>The Final Destination</b> (US)	\$5,443,051	1,675	\$100,695,213	44
9 (7)	<b>Fame</b> (US)	\$5,207,277	2,041	\$34,874,825	26
10 (6)	<b>Agora</b> (Sp)	\$4,939,110	478	\$16,770,391	1
11 New	<b>Blue</b> (Ind)	\$4,682,517	988	\$4,682,517	17
12 (11)	<b>Männerherzen</b> (Ger)	\$4,481,669	689	\$12,137,030	3
13 (8)	<b>The Message</b> (Chi)	\$3,962,441	546	\$27,280,010	3
14 (9)	<b>Surrogates</b> (US)	\$3,570,730	2,182	\$47,110,452	28
15 (13)	<b>Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs</b> (US)	\$3,667,513	1,734	\$35,412,029	30
16 (12)	<b>Vicky The Viking</b> (Ger)	\$3,342,865	1,297	\$49,428,017	4
17 (10)	<b>The Founding Of A Republic</b> (Chi)	\$2,890,755	475	\$60,638,380	4
18 (15)	<b>Gambling Apocalypse Kaiji</b> (Jap)	\$2,607,146	306	\$11,046,324	1
19 New	<b>All The Best</b> (Ind)	\$2,456,034	723	\$2,456,034	15
20 (21)	<b>Julie &amp; Julia</b> (US)	\$2,369,602	940	\$16,233,611	31
21 (37)	<b>Orphan</b> (US)	\$2,376,833	1,045	\$27,066,043	21
22 New	<b>Nefes: Vatan Sagolsun</b> (Tur)	\$1,973,550	319	\$1,973,550	1
23 (77)	<b>Pandorum</b> (US-Ger)	\$1,876,820	913	\$4,623,453	14
24 (17)	<b>Zombieland</b> (US)	\$1,874,740	637	\$6,875,465	5
25 New	<b>The Rebirth Of Buddha</b> (Jap)	\$1,809,491	192	\$1,809,491	1
26 New	<b>Bangkok Transit System</b> (Thai)	\$1,682,734	143	\$1,682,734	1
27 (22)	<b>The Girl Who Played With Fire</b> (Swe-Den-Ger)	\$1,681,251	387	\$30,166,712	6
28 (30)	<b>The Proposal</b> (US)	\$1,589,660	859	\$149,050,736	18
29 New	<b>The Imaginarium Of Doctor...</b> (UK-Can)	\$1,465,562	265	\$1,465,562	1
30 (25)	<b>Mao's Last Dancer</b> (Aus-Chi)	\$1,429,894	265	\$8,143,099	1
31 (58)	<b>The Time Traveler's Wife</b> (US)	\$1,375,792	802	\$23,122,764	17
32 (20)	<b>Baaria</b> (It)	\$1,336,664	362	\$14,924,887	1
33 (26)	<b>Whatever Works</b> (US)	\$1,275,124	356	\$19,955,153	6
34 (35)	<b>Girl With The Dragon Tattoo</b> (Swe-Den-Ger)	\$1,264,470	443	\$81,167,170	9
35 (19)	<b>Fast &amp; Furious</b> (US)	\$1,190,309	323	\$200,978,932	1
36 (29)	<b>My Sister's Keeper</b> (US)	\$1,188,912	700	\$39,853,765	19
37 New	<b>Mademoiselle Chambon</b> (Fr)	\$1,185,266	200	\$1,185,266	2
38 (46)	<b>Halloween II</b> (US)	\$1,180,538	552	\$2,823,174	10
39 New	<b>Main Aur Mrs Khanna</b> (Ind)	\$1,092,663	823	\$1,092,663	15
40 (34)	<b>Desert Flower</b> (Ger)	\$1,088,360	446	\$7,521,386	2

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