

The Peppercorns¹



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Epic adventures and curious crimes – the dauntless Peppercorns pool their wits to solve every challenge in their path!

Peppercorns

Season 17

Season 18

Season 19 & 20

Information

Original title: Die Pfefferkörner

Genre: Children | Live Action

Format: 21 Seasons x 13 x 27'

Year of production: Ongoing

Country of origin: Germany

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Why it Works...



Longest-running children's Television series

On air since **1999**...



...enduring **popularity**
and **relevance**.



Award-Nomination

Nominated for
International Emmy Kids
Award 2019.



Strong Bonds of Friendships

Emphasizing
the value of trust, support, and
loyalty in their adventures.

Educational Value

Teaching the young
audience...



...critical thinking, problem
solving and teamwork.



Role Model Series

*"I believe that the series also
shows children the importance of
standing up for others and
fighting for justice."*

Jana Matthes (Screenwriter)



Comparables



ZDF/Cinema



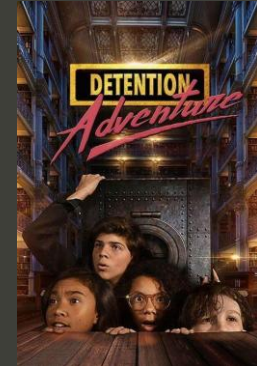
ZDF/KiKa



BBC



Netflix



CBC Gem

Series Synopsis

Young, smart and inquisitive : The Peppercorns!

A group of teenage friends fights crime and injustice from their Hamburg warehouse HQ. Whether it's stolen art, extortion or kidnapping – they use clever detective work to crack the case and bring criminals to justice.

Along the way, they face dangers, personal challenges and unexpected twists, learning valuable lessons about friendship, teamwork and responsibility.



Recurring Locations



Cast



The cast of season 17.



The cast of season 18.



The cast of season 19 and 20.

The cast of "The Peppercorns" **regularly changes** to provide a **dynamic and thrilling viewing experience**. This strategy **keeps the series engaging** while continuously **appealing to its target audience**, thereby securing its **longevity**.



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Tarun upgrades HQ with next-gen tech. Clarissa dives into danger headfirst. Jonny loves speed — and secrets. Lou fights injustice, while her sister Pippa, in a wheelchair, investigates right alongside them. The team takes on a strange case: overdose or poisoning?

Along the way, they uncover illegal trade in an African throne and get caught in a hacker attack — all during a high-stakes wheelchair tech demo.



Cast



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Lou

Lou, Pippa's twin, is bold and stylish — with a flair for first aid and persuasion. Always the center of attention, her confidence can rub others the wrong way. But beneath it all, she's deeply loyal — ready to give everything for her mother and sister.



Jonny

BMX is Jonny's world — with sister Clarissa as his biggest fan. But when his dyslexia is revealed, the bullying begins. Can he still be a true Peppercorn if reading becomes his biggest hurdle?



Clarissa

Clarissa is sharp, spirited, and lightning-fast — with a memory like a hard drive. She's a born detective and would be the perfect Peppercorn... if only she weren't so headstrong and always running off solo.



Tarun

Born in Mumbai, Tarun is a bright inventor with big ideas. His latest creation? A robot that talks, analyzes, identifies — and might soon serve drinks at Peppercorn HQ.



Impressions...



Season 18



Season Synopsis

Twins Lou and Pippa are soon joined by Rafa, Jet, and Milan — but first, they team up with Jonny and Clarissa for two final cases. One hits close: Lou's classmate Tali is targeted by antisemitism, and the Peppercorns rally around her.

As Lou and Pippa search for a new HQ, Rafa refuses to share his attic — until his mom's laptop is stolen. The girls step in, and a daytime base is born.



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Rafa

Rafa loves having the HQ to himself — gaming with best friend Jet. At first, he won't share it... until Lou shows up and catches his eye. Stubborn but loyal, Rafa is quick on his feet — and more sensitive than he lets on...



Milan

Milan, Rafa's younger brother, is wild about animals and photography — even if it means chasing bugs on the way to school. A handful at home, he's a sharp-eyed, brave, and quick-thinking Peppercorn who knows how to bend the truth just right.



Jet

Jet, Rafa's best friend, is a coding whiz and the calm voice of reason in the team. He keeps cool and collects facts — unless his mom or friends are treated unfairly. Then, Jet doesn't hold back.



Impressions...





Season 19 and 20

Season Synopsis

New Faces in the Headquarters: The 13th Generation of the "Peppercorns" Takes Over!

Moritz, Amy, Hakim and Jasina solve their final cases before handing over to a brand-new team.

The new Peppercorns dive straight in: missing gold, smugglers, scammers, and more. When Moritz vanishes, Amy calls for backup — and the 10th generation returns. Together, they chase clues from a luxury neighborhood to a hidden airfield, facing the Eulenspiegel Gang, blackout chaos, and dangerous criminals.



Cast



Amy

Amy, the youngest Peppercorn, has been hearing-impaired since age four — but she's all smiles and sharp instincts.



Moritz

Confident and convinced he's always right, Moritz often clashes with others — but means well. He's protective of his younger sister Amy and helps her communicate with sign language when she needs it.



Hakim

Hakim is quiet, curious, and science-obsessed — examining every clue with care. His family fled Syria when he was four, and his biggest wish is for his father to join them so they can be whole again.



Leonie

Leonie runs away to escape her mother's depression. Tough on the outside but vulnerable within, things shift when Moritz and Amy find her hideout — and make it Peppercorn HQ. Soon, Leonie joins the team and takes the oath.



Jasina

Jasina is warm, imaginative, and a natural at conflict resolution — thanks to her empathy and mediator skills. Brave but thoughtful, she chooses to focus on her life in Hamburg rather than the family's past escape from Syria.



Impressions...



A promotional image for the TV show 'Peppercorns'. It features two young men, likely the main characters, wearing white lab coats and clear safety goggles. They are in a workshop or garage setting, with various tools, equipment, and glowing blue lights visible in the background. The man on the left is looking down at something out of frame, while the man on the right is looking towards the camera with a serious expression. A teal banner with the word 'available' is overlaid on the image.

Season 1 - 21

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For more than 20 years, the Peppercorns have been entertaining generations of viewers with a blend of gripping crimes and current issues.

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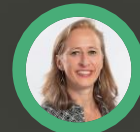
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