

Short Synopsis

Shortly before her passing, Golda Meir was interviewed for the Israeli television. After the shooting ended the cameras kept rolling, recording an intimate talk with the first and only woman to ever rule Israel. As she lit one cigarette off the other, Golda spoke freely, pleading her case for her term as prime minister. Based on that never-seen-before talk, testimonies of supporters and opponents and rare archival footage, "GOLDA" tells the story of Meir's dramatic premiership - from her surprising rise to power and iconic international stature as "queen of the Jewish people", to her tragic and lonely demise.

Directors' statement

Golda Meir was the first and only woman who ever served as Prime-Minister of Israel. Though she was a conservative, her five years in office (1969-1974) transformed Israel and changed the course of Middle Eastern history. From the first major social protest in Israel, through the early days of the Israeli occupation and settlement movement in the west bank, to two reginal wars – almost every conflict that defines our lives in this country either originated or culminated under her watch.

The first woman in the world who served as minister of foreign affairs, and the second elected as hear of state - around the world Golda Meir is a feminist heroine and one of Israel's most familiar faces. In her homeland, however, she is associated with failure and disgrace and considered one of the worst leaders the country has known. GOLDA exposes a never-seen-before interview shot shortly before Meir passed away, and offers a new look into the life and turbulent term of a truly extraordinary woman.

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Reviews

"Pure gold... Excellent... Well written and wonderfully directed" Walla!News

"Fine stars! A spectacular and compelling portrait" Kan Kan Channel 11

"Watching GOLDA is worth gold"
Ma'ariv

"A rare television event" Israel Hayom

"Highly recommended"
Galatz Radio

"A fascinating film"
Kan Radio

Team

Directors Sagi Bornstein, Udi Nir, Shani Rozanes

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Key Interviewees

Zvi Zamir head of the Mossad 1969-1978

Prof. Meron Medzini Prime Minister's spokesman 1969-1974

Gideon Meir Golda Meir's grandson

Dr. Yossi Beilin Labor Party Spokesman 1977-1984

Reuven Abergel Israeli Black Panthers

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