

MOVIE REVIEW

Dream Girl 2



Director: Raaj Shaandilyaa
Cast: Ayushmann Khurrana, Ananya Panday, Paresh Rawal, Annu Kapoor

STORY: Karamveer wants to marry his girlfriend, Pari. But he must first fulfil her father's condition and make Rs 25 lakhs in six months. An easy way out for him is pretending to be a girl and dancing at a bar. Things take a bizarre turn when four people pursue Pooja/Karam for marriage.

REVIEW: Director Raaj Shaandilyaa serves this comedy four years after the original Dream Girl, which was delightful for its quirky set-up and premise. The second outing has a similar premise. Karamveer (Ayushmann Khurrana) needs to raise an enormous amount of money quickly if he wants to marry his girlfriend, Pari Shrivastav (Ananya Panday). So, he pretends to be a woman, Pooja, and works as a dancer at Sona Bhai's (Vijay Raaz) bar. Thereon, the movie has little new to offer throughout its 133 minutes. Writers Raaj and Naresh Kathooria have tried to crank up the comedy, but the narrative goes haywire and ends up as just a mishmash of situations and characters pursuing each other.

Ayushmann Khurrana skillfully switches between playing Karam and Pooja's characters in the film. He particularly shines in the dance sequences and gets the latkas and jhatkas perfectly. His knack at pulling off situational comedy shows and he owns some of the best parts of the film. Ananya Panday has little scope to perform, and struggles with consistency in her Braj Bhasha dialogue delivery.

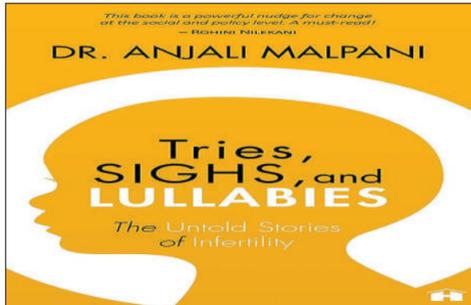
In-depth Analysis

Our overall critic's rating is not an average of the sub scores below.

Direction	██████████	3/5
Dialogues	██████████	3/5
Story	██████████	3/5
Music	██████████	3/5
Visual appeal	██████████	3/5

BOOK REVIEW

Tries, Sighs, and Lullabies



Title: 'Tries, Sighs, and Lullabies'
Author: Dr Anjali Malpani
Genre: Non Fiction
Pages: 240
Price: Rs 250

Review: Dr Anjali Malpani, who is known as a pioneer in India in the field of fertility treatments, turned an author this year. Her debut book titled 'Tries, Sighs, and Lullabies' is a collection of real-life stories about people's traumas and triumphs regarding infertility.

A woman, who was born without a womb, wishes to be a biological mother; a man who was a victim of forced vasectomy during the 1976 emergency, hides this fact from his wife and wishes to have a child through IVF; a homosexual couple wants to have their own family-- 'Tries, Sighs, and Lullabies' is a collection of these and many more stories about infertility and its possible treatments. While each story is about how a couple faced and overcame their infertility issues, what makes it unique and interesting is the fact that their stories are told with utmost sensitivity and honesty.

The book has 15 stories about different infertility issues faced by couples, and how they were treated by Dr Malpani. Being a medical practitioner herself, the author also explains the science behind the procedures in simple terms for readers' understanding. Dr Malpani's easy and empathetic writing makes this book a thought-provoking read providing hope, especially for couples who are on a similar journey in their life.

How critics view the book:
Rohini Nilekani, writer-philanthropist, said, "This book is a powerful nudge for change at the social and policy level. It reads well and it tugs at the heart. A must-read."

Rajesh Jain, Technology entrepreneur, said, "As I finished reading the book, all I could do was echo the same words from a moment long gone by but never forgotten, "Thank you."

GADGET REVIEW

Infinix Zero 30 5G



Expected Price	Rs 24,999.
Display	6.78-inch
Resolution	(1080x2400)
Processor	MediaTek Dimensity 8020
Front Camera	50MP
Rear Camera	108MP + 13MP
RAM	8GB, 12GB
Storage	256GB
Battery Capacity	5000mAh
Fast charging	Proprietary
OS	Android 13
Wi-Fi	Yes
GPS	Yes
Bluetooth	Yes, v 5.30
USB Type-C	Yes
Number of SIMs	2
Fingerprint Sensor	Yes
Magnetometer	Yes
Proximity sensor	Yes
Accelerometer	Yes
Colours	Golden Hour, Rome Green

Pros

- * Slick modern design with solid build quality.
- * Good price/performance ratio.
- * Good battery life.
- * Superb performance.

Cons

- * Display lacks HDR support.
- * Sustained performance isn't ideal.

VEHICLE REVIEW

Honda Elevate



Starting Price	Rs. 10.99 - 15.99 Lakh*
Engine	1498 CC
Engine Type	Water Cooled Inline With VTC
Mileage	15.31 - 16.92 Kmpl
Transmission	Manual / Automatic
Fuel Type	Petrol
Fuel Capacity	40 Liters
Max Power	119.35bhp@6600rpm
Max Torque	145Nm@4300rpm
Gear Box	6+1
Seating Capacity	5
Drive Type	FWD
Fuel Supply System	Direct Injection
Body Type	SUV
Ground Clearance	220 mm
Boot Space	458 Liters
Suspension Front	McPherson Strut with Coil Spring
Suspension Rear	Torsion Beam With coil Spring
Brakes Front	Disc Ventilated
Brakes Rear	Drum
No of Airbags	6

Pros

- * D-segment Length In A C-segment Car.
- * Wide Range Of Engine Options.
- * Sensibly-packaged V Variant.

Cons

- * Skinny 185-Section Tyres.
- * Expensive Hybrid Powertrain.

Health and Lifestyle

Decorating and Remodeling: Expert tips on how to ace it!



Decorating and remodeling a home can be both exciting and challenging. Choosing the apt decor can be overwhelming, especially if you don't know much about setting up spaces. That's why we've enlisted the expertise of Keith Menon, co-founder of an interior designing brand and he shares six valuable decorating and remodeling tips that will help you transform your home into the space of your dreams.

Understanding Your Space and Needs: Take a look at your room sizes, the layout, and the amount of natural light available. Think about how you use each room and what kind of furniture and décor will make it more comfortable and practical. For example, if you have children, you may want to choose materials that are easy to clean and durable enough to withstand wear and tear. By considering your space and needs, you can create a design that not only looks great but also works for you and your family.

Prioritise utility first: Prioritising utility means understanding the purpose of each room and choosing furniture and décor that support those activities. For instance, if you work from home, you should prioritise a comfortable and ergonomic chair that supports good posture and prevents back pain. Additionally, consider the amount of storage space you need to keep your workspace organised and clutter-free.

Set a budget: Set a budget based on what you know you can spend, and use that money to buy the things you want. Prioritising the most important items first, such as furniture, lighting, and paint, is critical. You can always add decorative items after you've taken care of the necessities.



Plan your timeline: Consider tasks that can be completed outside of your home when creating your timeline, such as shopping for décor, ordering furniture, or painting. Then, concentrate on tasks that must be completed within your home, such as installing furniture, painting walls, and organising décor.

Search online for options: Explore various websites, social media accounts, and online stores to find pieces that fit your style and budget. Remember to think about the materials used, the quality of the items, and previous customer experiences. Online

research can assist you in making informed decisions and locating the ideal items for your home.

Don't block sunlight and ventilation: Natural light and ventilation are essential for a healthy and comfortable home. Make sure you're not blocking windows or doors with furniture or décor unless you live in a hot place and don't have an option.

Wait before ordering: Waiting to make a purchase can help you better understand what you require and ensure that you make the right choice. This approach can also help you avoid cluttering your home with items that do not match your style or space.

Leave space for nature: Adding plants to your home is a simple and inexpensive way to decorate your living space. Plants can bring color, texture, and life to any space. Consider the amount of natural light in your space when selecting plants, as different plants have different lighting requirements. You can also select plants that are low-maintenance, such as succulents, which require little watering and attention.

ASTROLOGY

WEEKLY PREDICTIONS 10TH— 16TH SEPTEMBER 2023

ARIES
MAR 21 - APR 19

This week, profound experiences are possible. The week begins with the moon in Cancer opposing Pluto in Capricorn. Aries, the Universe is reaching out to send you a message, but if you're operating on autopilot, you could miss it. Mercury retrograde in Virgo and your house of daily routines makes a semisextile to Mars in Libra.

LIBRA
SEP 23 - OCT 22

This week, your intuition is loud and clear. The week begins with some unique energy. Venus goes in Leo, and Jupiter goes in Taurus. Both of these planets appear to be standing still, providing powerful energy to help you attract what you want. Take some time today to figure out what that is, from love to career to lifestyle.

TAURUS
APR 20 - MAY 20

This week, you gain a deeper understanding of an important concept. The week begins with the moon in Cancer opposing Pluto in Capricorn. Today, a family member could say something that has such a profound impact on your understanding of family dynamics that you're flabbergasted. Taurus, it's like an important puzzle piece is finally in your hands.

SCORPIO
OCT 23 - NOV 21

This week, you're making good connections. The week begins with some very unusual energy. Venus goes in Leo, and Jupiter goes retrograde in Taurus. Today, both of these planets appear to be standing still. Scorpio, you might have a realization that you're in love. It could be a deep emotional connection with a person, or you could find yourself fully committed to a particular course of action.

GEMINI
MAY 21 - JUN 20

This week, you're getting a handle on things. The week begins with the moon in Cancer opposing Pluto in Capricorn. Today, you could feel an overwhelming urge to get your finances under control. You might be looking at the numbers and seeing that you've been doing some impulse spending. It also could be that there are financial opportunities that need your attention.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 22 - DEC 21

This week, you have the magic touch. The week begins with an unusual event. Venus goes direct in Leo, and tomorrow Jupiter goes retrograde in Taurus. Today, both of these planets appear to be standing still, resulting in extraordinary energy. Venus represents your desires, while Jupiter brings luck and expansion. With these combined energies, you become a magnet for what you want.

CANCER
JUN 21 - JUL 22

This week, you get things straightened out. The week begins with the moon in Cancer opposing Pluto in Capricorn. Cancer, you are a sensitive soul, and you could be around people today who aren't necessarily cognizant of that fact. You might need to do something to guard your feelings, but mostly try not to take things personally today. The person in front of you might just be having a bad day.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22 - JAN 19

This week, you're finding solutions. The week begins with an extraordinary event. Venus goes direct in Leo, and tomorrow Jupiter goes retrograde in Taurus. Today, both of these planets appear to be standing still, granting them extra power. Capricorn, your desires are expanded, perhaps to the point of obsession. You have the ability to channel your power and energy into a single wish.

LEO
JUL 23 - AUG 22

This week, you could see some gains. The week with the moon in Cancer opposing Pluto in Capricorn. A relationship could be very intense today. Leo, it's possible that you find out a friend really wants to have a physical relationship with you. Or you might discover that someone at your job is very attracted to you. Whether this puts you in an awkward position or not, it could come as a big surprise.

AQUARIUS
JAN 20 - FEB 18

This week, you're finding your power. The week begins with a very special astrological event. Venus goes direct in Leo, and tomorrow Jupiter goes retrograde in Taurus. Today, both of these planets appear to be standing still, granting them immense power. Aquarius, you have access to this power today, so make use of it. Utilize the energy of Venus to visualize what you want.

VRGO
AUG 23 - SEP 22

This week, you're getting things right. The week begins with the moon in Cancer. You could be feeling extra sensitive today, especially regarding a love relationship. You might be reading between the lines in their last text. Today, you could misinterpret where they're coming from and skew it toward the negative.

PISCES
FEB 19 - MAR 20

This week, you're seeing what's ahead. The week begins with some very unique energy. Venus goes direct in Leo, and tomorrow Jupiter goes retrograde in Taurus. Today, both of these planets appear to be standing still, emphasizing your future desires. Take this opportunity to contemplate and visualize what you want to manifest.