



*Lady Bird* Directed by Greta Gerwig  
Reviewed by Olivia



Stand Alone Film  
Coming of Age

### **Give a summary without spoilers!**

Lady Bird follows Christine McPherson, who goes by the name of Lady Bird, through her trials and tribulations of her senior year of high school. The movie explores a toxic mother-daughter relationship, the hardships of high school relationships, and moving away from your hometown. Greta Gerwig captures the themes of self-identity, growth, and attachment through the beautiful cinematography of this film.

### **What drew you to this movie?**

I was originally drawn to this movie by the fact that it was a coming-of-age and the fact that it had been put out by A24, my favorite movie production company. Also, Greta Gerwig is my favorite director, and I know that I could easily enjoy anything she puts out.

Being in high school when first watching this movie especially drew me out, since the plot is so relatable.

### **Did it remind you of something that you've previously watched or read?**

Similar in themes, this movie reminds me of the book/film "The Perks of Being a Wallflower". Also, for music fans, the movie is very comparable to Lorde's 2013 album, Pure Heroine.

### **To whom would you recommend this movie?**

I would recommend this movie to high schoolers, especially those who are seniors. I also recommend this movie to parents of high school students. The movie is extremely real in the way it displays Lady Bird's emotions of surviving high school, yet is shown in a maturated and raw manner.

### **Overall, did you like it and would you recommend it to others?**

Yes, this film has become my favorite film of all time, and it has gotten me through high school myself. I would recommend anyone to watch this movie. I have watched Lady Bird a countless number of times, yet it still captures my attention and heart strings every time I watch it. Even the cinematography by itself makes it an enjoyable film, as it is shot on film that gives it a nostalgic, grainy look.

**Anything else that you would like to add to this review? What made you choose it? Did you like the cover? Was it recommended to you? Did you find it at the library?**

In addition to this movie, I give listening to the score a go for this film. The music used in Lady Bird captures the story perfectly, and also serves as great study music!