

Source: HBO Game of Thrones is an American medieval fantasy television series created for HBO by David Benioff and D. B. Weiss. Based on author George R. R. Martin's best-selling A Song of Ice and Fire series of fantasy novels, the first of which is called A Game of Thrones, the television series debuted in the U.S. on April 17, 2011. The production is based in Belfast, Northern Ireland, with additional locations elsewhere in Europe also being used. The show's cast is mainly British and Irish. Highly-anticipated since its early stages of development, Game of Thrones was very well received by fans and critics. The series was picked up for a second season on April 19, 2011, two days after its premiere. On July 14, 2011 the nominations for the 63rd Primetime Emmy Awards were announced, with Game of Thrones being nominated for 13 categories, including Outstanding Drama Series, Outstanding Casting for a

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