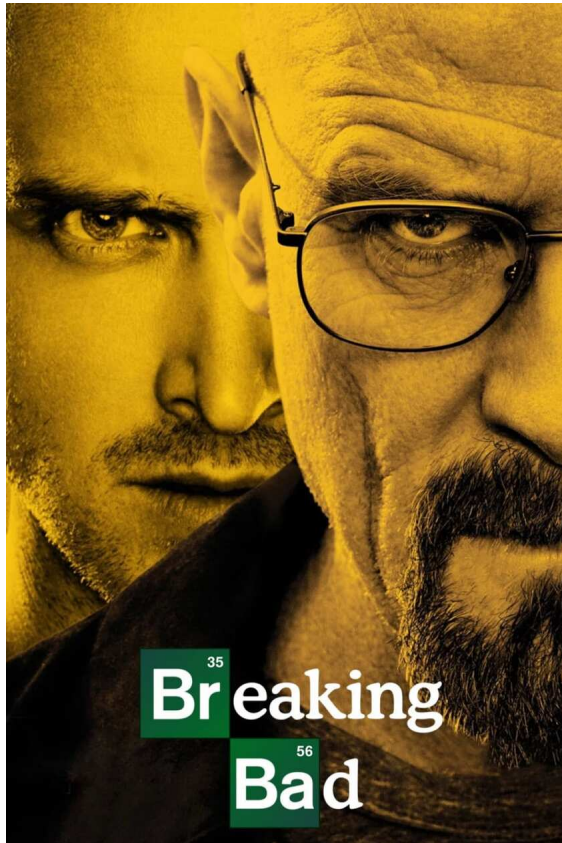




Monsters The Lyle and Erik Menendez Story

Netflix

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True Crime/Thriller

Why did you want to watch this show? How did you hear about it? What grabbed your attention?

I wanted to watch this show because the Mendendez case intrigued me so much. I was fascinated with the investigation and wanted to see a reenacted story of their lives and the murder of their parents. The storyline and actors within grabbed my attention the most!

How many seasons does this show have? What season(s) did you watch?

This show is 1 season (9 episodes) and I watched it all!

Without spoiling too much, what is this show about? What interesting details can you tell us about it?

This show is about how brothers, Lyle and Erik Menendez killed their parents and ended up in prison. It showcases their personalities and childhood growing up.

Who are the main characters? Who was your favorite character and why? What makes them interesting?

The main characters are Erik and Lyle Menendez. My favorite character is Erik because he endured significant trauma, yet owned up to his actions after murdering his parents. His personality and complex emotions make him very interesting.

Does this show remind you of any other type of show you've watched?

This show reminds me of the documentary, The Menendez Brothers, which is also on Netflix.

Is this show a book-to-TV adaptation? If so, what is the name of the book and author? Have you read the book?

No it is not.

Who would you recommend this show to? What type of person would enjoy this?

I would recommend this show to people interested in true crime, particularly in the Menendez case. A person who likes psychological thrillers would enjoy this.

What are your thoughts on the cover? Do you think the cover fits what the story is about?

I think the cover fits the series perfectly as it captures the infamous scene of the brothers in the court room during their trial. This cover showcases their journey from being rich to ending up in prison.

Any other thoughts about the show?

Although I enjoyed the show, I wish they didn't portray the brothers as crazy and angry individuals, but rather took a more sympathetic approach.