

Apollo 13 - A Race Against Time

Join us on one of the most suspense-filled adventures of our time: when thousands of NASA employees and contractors worked nonstop against incredible odds to save the crew of Odyssey from certain death.

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Intertwined with the drama of the flight of Apollo 13, there is preserved one of the most complete records of any space flight save for Apollo 11. Due to the investigation that followed the flight, detailed technical data, communications, and narratives of all the major participants in the flight were carefully recorded. It is ironic that the other Apollo missions that succeeded were not as fortunate in this regard. As such, Apollo 13 gives us a special insight into one of the most complex technical projects of the millennium and celebrates the enormous achievement of sending men to the Moon and bringing them home safely.

If the flight of Apollo 11 was NASA's greatest triumph, the safe return of the crew of Apollo 13 was their finest hour.