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Jackson.

Since the show ended Shaw has expressed little fondness for it, claiming that his association with Doyle in the public imagination 'disenfranchised' his previous career: "It was not only as if my career had started there, it was as if that's what I did, so there was no longer the opportunity to do what I had done before.

After turning down several similar crime-fighting roles, he cropped his curls and returned to the stage to essay Elvis Presley 's final hours in Alan Bleasdale 's 'Are You Lonesome Tonight? However, the image of law enforcer proved a difficult one to relinquish, and subsequent television roles have included a corrupt Chief Superintendent in Black and Blue BBC, , the lead in two series of The Chief ITV, , a sympathetic Chauvelin to Richard E.

Peter Jenkyns. Judge John Deed. Show all 29 episodes. Adam Dalgliesh. Commander Adam Dalgliesh. Robert Kingsford. Show all 38 episodes. Cecil John Rhodes. Show all 8 episodes. Chief Constable Alan Cade. Show all 23 episodes. Oscar Wilde voice. Mike Barclay - Black and Blue Chief Supt. Mike Barclay. Peter Balliol, MP. Ciricus A Professional Beggar uncredited. Scott - The Glories of the Race Captain R. Show all 7 episodes. Show all 57 episodes. Arlen - Exiles Michael J. Graham Moffat. Alan Forsyth. TV Movie Josh Taylor. Robert Burke. King Ferdinand of Navarre. Orestes, Electra's brother. Stefan Borowski. Stage actor. Frank Tully. Show all 10 episodes. Monty Parkin. Huw Evans.

Martin Shaw - IMDb

Martin took his first film role in as an Irish Communist in Love on the Dole. He's the son of an engineer and a champion ballroom-dancer. He hated school and only enjoyed English literature and drama lessons. He also owns a crofter's cottage in Scotland. The scar on Martin's right cheek was the result of a vicious attack by muggers. His cheekbone had to be replaced by a plastic plate. He gave up alcohol after this attack and is also a strict vegetarian and a non-smoker. Martin has a private pilot's licence and owns a Boeing Stearman, a vintage bi-plane. He also has a motorbike licence and enjoys rock-climbing, playing football, horse-riding and yoga. Martin's been married and divorced twice. He has three children by his first wife, Jill Allen, including son Joe who played a younger version of Martin's eponymous character in Rhodes.

Sophie and Luke are also actors. Martin's now married to TV presenter, Vicky Kimm, who shares his love of flying. Home Explore the BBC. This page has been archived and is no longer updated. Despite a long and varied stage and screen career, Martin Shaw will probably be forever associated with the leather jacket and bubble perm of Ray Doyle, the undercover cop who, as one half of The Professionals ITV, provided Britain's answer to Starsky and Hutch US, He made his amateur stage debut, accompanied by his parents, at the age of three. Although offered a scholarship to Birmingham Drama School when he was 16, he instead took his parents' advice and went out to work, but two years later moved to London to attend LAMDA.

In the first half of the 70s he played Banquo in Macbeth d. Ever keen to avoid typecasting, he next appeared as Rahid, Arabian sidekick to the titular adventurer in The Golden Voyage of Sinbad d. Gordon Hessler, Over the next six years Bodie and Doyle screeched around London in their Ford Capri, battling terrorism on behalf of CI5 - an undercover section of the police headed by the no-nonsense George Cowley Gordon Jackson.

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Shaw was born in and lived in a council house in Erdington, near Birmingham, until he was Then his parents bought a house in Sutton Coldfield. He liked a drink in his youth but these days Shaw's teetotal. Shaw's a bit iffy about celebrity: "Being a celebrity, whatever that means, is something I dislike intensely," he says. You should work because you're good. Shaw has a remote converted croft in Scotland. On occasion, he stays there for long periods, relishing the solitude. Shaw's dislike of The Professionals, the s action series that made him famous, developed early on in the show's life. There aren't many actors pushing 60 who are still offered heartthrob parts. Shaw's realistic about how much longer this will continue. A hit with the critics, it examined the final 24 hours of The King's life. He is also a qualified private pilot. He has his own vintage biplane, a Boeing Stearman.

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Shaw was born in Birmingham. In his youth, Shaw was involved in a drunken brawl with a friend, suffering broken teeth, injuries to his face and a fractured skull, and needed cheekbone surgery. He later acknowledged the role of Stanley Kowalski in 'Streetcar' as a point of breakthrough in his career. It told the story of Presley's last few hours. Shaw's daughter, Sophie, played opposite him as More's daughter, Margaret. In After completing filming the final episode of George Gently , Shaw again toured in with the U. Shaw began television work in He later guest-starred, playing the same role, in the follow-up series Doctor at Large , now a nervous expectant father in the episode "Mother and Father Doing Well".

Both played the roles of terrorists. In interview at the time, Shaw commented that he generally responded well to the testing physical conditions, particularly when they enhanced the reality of the scene. He played Cecil Rhodes in Rhodes , an eight-part serial that aired in and was filmed on location in South Africa. Shaw's younger son, Joe , took early leave of his drama school course to play the part of the youthful Rhodes. Another television acting credit includes the role of Dr Robert Kingston in Always and Everyone — , a British accident and emergency medical series,

played alongside Niamh Cusack.

Newman 's ideas about lifestyle choices such as vegetarianism and alternative medicine as well as issues of social justice. One episode about the safety of the MMR vaccine was banned. This was Shaw's first project as executive director. Although Shaw is not classified as a film actor he has had several roles over the years. His first film role was an Irish communist in a television adaptation of the novel, Love on the Dole. Better known is his role of Banquo in Roman Polanski 's Macbeth. He has also been seen as an undercover Second World War operative in the production Operation Daybreak ; a singing and dancing futuristic magician "Zax" in Facelift ; the role of Rachid in the film The Golden Voyage of Sinbad , and a wanted villain leading a life on the run in a circus troupe in Ladder of Swords Shaw fulfilled a lifetime ambition to take the controls of a Spitfire owned by Maurice Bayliss and, though take-off was not permitted, he also powered an English Electric Lightning owned by Russell Carpenter to mph in three seconds along the runway at Cranfield Airport.

Shaw also compared notes with the nonagenarian builder and developer of the modern autogyro , Wing Cdr. Ken Wallis. In he presented a documentary for the BBC titled Dambusters Declassified in which he investigated and debunked some of the myths of the dambusters raid known as Operation Chastise story which had been portrayed in the books Enemy Coast Ahead and The Dambusters , and the film The Dam Busters. Shaw is a celebrity activist for animal rights and animal welfare. He is the patron of the Hillside Animal Sanctuary in Frettenham in Norfolk , a charity organisation which provides a safe home for neglected and abused animals. In March , he also announced that he would become the official patron to the community organisation Stop Norwich UrBanisation or SNUB , whose aim is to protect Norfolk 's countryside from overdevelopment and excessive urbanisation.

In the press release, he stated that he was "simply furious and upset by your plight and that of all of us who wish to live in quiet and peace. I will be your Patron and keep fighting". Shaw lives in Hingham in Norfolk. His agent, Roger Charteris, said he had been suffering from cracked ribs and was taking antibiotics for a severe chest infection. An understudy went on in his place. Shaw has been teetotal and a vegetarian for over 40 years. Shaw won two awards in for his performance as Lord Goring in the Broadway production of An Ideal Husband and was nominated for a third:. His cheekbone had to be replaced by a plastic plate.

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