

Korean A-list couple Song Hye-kyo and Song Joong-ki announce their divorce

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(CNN)Korean superstar actors Song Hye-kyo and Song Joong-ki have stunned millions of fans by announcing their divorce.

The pair played lovers in the wildly popular romance television series "Descendants of the Sun" in 2016, before starting a real-life relationship.

They earned the joint nickname the "Song Song Couple" and were widely seen as Asia's answer to American A-list pairings like Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie.

But, like that of Pitt and Jolie, who also met as co-stars, the marriage of the pair was to last just two years. After wedding in a high-profile ceremony in 2017, the actors released separate statements announcing the split on Thursday.

"Rather than blaming and criticising each other, I wish to end the marriage in an amicable manner," Song Joong-ki said, according to AFP.

Song Hye-kyo asked fans to avoid "speculative media reports and comments" on the break-up. "Descendants of the Sun" catapulted both actors to fame when it aired across Asia, gaining billions of views on Chinese streaming platforms.

The show followed an army captain who fell in love with a surgeon in a fictional war-torn nation.

The popular pair have since earned millions of fans, plenty of whom expressed their devastation at their split on social media.