

Film title

The Virgin Spring

Tagline

Revenge for the death of a child or blind observance of the Christian commandment "Thou shalt not kill!"?

Short synopsis

In 14th-century Sweden, an innocent yet pampered teenage girl and her family's pregnant and jealous servant set out from their farm to deliver candles to church, but only one returns from events that transpire in the woods along the way.

Long synopsis

Winner of the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film, Ingmar Bergman's The Virgin Spring is a harrowing tale of faith, revenge, and savagery in medieval Sweden. Starring frequent Bergman collaborator and screen icon Max von Sydow, the film is both beautiful and cruel in its depiction of a world teetering between paganism and Christianity, and of one father's need to avenge the death of a child.

Technical information and credits

Original title: Jungfrukällan
English title: The Virgin Spring
Year: 1960
Country: Sweden
Language: sw
Subtitles: cz
Running time: 87 min
Dostupnost: 15+

DVD / Blu-ray: DCP, MP4
Genre: Drama, Historically, Psychological
Directed by: Ingmar Bergman
Written by: Ingmar Bergman
Edited by: Ulla Isaksson
Cinematography: Oscar Rosander

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Awards

Oscar - Best Foreign Film - 1961
Golden Globes - Best Foreign Film - 1961
Cannes IFF - Special Mention - 1960

Actors

Axel Düberg, Max von Sydow, Birgitta Valberg, Gunnel Lindblom, Birgitta Pettersson