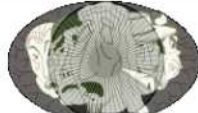


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Five college students (Anna Kendrick, Matthew Bora, Stephen Sherman, Jared Michalski, Elana Safar) decide to spend a few nights camping in the forest, quite despite the recent Bigfoot craze ... they all figure Matt (Matthew Bora) knows the wood well enough for them to make it out safe anyways, so ... and on day two, only Barbara (Anna Kendrick) and her fiancé Kurtis (Stephen Sherman) are left alive, the others have died under mysterious circumstances. Now our two heroes of course suspect Bigfoot, and now try

to make it through the woods back to civilisation always trying to evade Bigfoot, who hardly ever makes himself known though. But Bigfoot might not be their biggest problem by a longshot, as the human species turns out to be the most dangerous of them all, so Kurtis is soon shot by two hillbillies (Alan Schilling, Bill Kalatsky), who shoot Kurtis and then want to have their fun with Barbara, and a human-hating hermit (Don Evans) with a fake animal arm. But Barbara is a martial arts champ, so she's not one to give up easily ... and eventually, it turns out Matt has survived his own death, too. And then there's also the real Bigfoot, but whose side (aside from his own) is he on?

Fear the Forest admittedly takes quite a bit of time to kick into gear - it takes too bloody long to establish the simple fact that these five kids want to go on a camping trip to the Bigfoot-infested forest -, and even then, the first few killings are kind of a letdown. But once Barbara is left running and fending for herself, the whole thing totally picks up steam, because from then on the film is well-paced, features a few nice and unusual ideas, and Anna Kendrick has the right charisma and agility to fill the role. Plus, while the Bigfoot monstersuit might not be perfect regarding pure craftsmanship, it's a very original rendition of the beast. Definitely flawed, but worth a peak anyhow.

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