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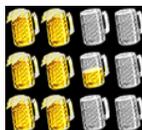
Reviewed by: Mike Catalano

Directed by: Jordan Downey

Starring:

Chuck Lamb
General Bastard
Lance Predmore

Movie:



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Overall:



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WHAT'S IT ABOUT?

Oh shit! There's a psychotic, killer, horny, talking turkey on the loose in the woods on Thanksgiving break! All he needs is a bunch of dumb college kids to stalk... problem solved!

IS IT A GOOD MOVIE?

If you saw the title of this movie, then I'm certain you pretty much knew what you'd be getting into. And yes, it really is as ridiculous and dumb as you may think. Of course, the filmmakers CLEARLY understood this as well (I hope). I mean, the DVD's cover box promises boobs within the first second and, damn it, the thing ain't lying.

Okay, obviously this movie is going to be a love it or hate it party. The thing is so over-the-top stupid from the characters to the dialogue to the plot, that you've gotta give the filmmakers credit for either sticking so closely to their dim-witted vision or understanding that they had no talent and went forward anyways. Seeing as how this is about a killer talking turkey, I'm pretty sure that all involved knew from the get-go how to deliver this package.

With that said, if I had to give some sort of "reviewer's" point of view on THANKSKILLING, I'd say that the acting is atrocious. I'm pretty sure that the actors weren't trying to be so God-awful, they were just terrible at the craft. But again, considering the type of flick this was, it didn't matter. What did piss me off was that there was practically zero creativity injected into the script's story. Yeah, I know this is all supposed to be

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dumb, but if you're creative enough to pull that shit off, at least make the effort to provide some sort of cool storyline.

When all is said and done at the time this turkey comes out of the oven, what you see with THANKSKILLING is what you get. Everything is insanely stupid and totally tongue-in-cheek. If you like your horror flicks with even the slightest hint of flare or creativity, then look elsewhere. However, if you just want to kick back with a six-pack for slightly over an hour with some knowingly juvenile crap, then this may be a holiday treat. Seeing as how Eli Roth isn't getting around to making his THANKSGIVING, I guess this turkey will have to do for this holiday's horror mascot.

VIDEO / AUDIO

Video Widescreen 1.33:1

Audio English dolby digital.

THE EXTRAS

A pretty good **Commentary** from the director and writer that indeed confirms that they were going for the so-bad-it's-good vibe. Plus, they made the flick in college for just \$3,500.

A silly bunch of **Bloopers**.

Some funny **Fan Artwork**.

Lastly, a rockin' **Fan-made Song**.

LAST CALL

THANKSKILLING definitely earns points for knowing exactly what it is and not compromising. It has some funny moments, but make no mistake, all the jokes are derived from incredibly stupid scenarios. If you understand what you're getting into, then you may want to check this out around the holidays... with a gallon of booze.

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