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Hunt, The

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Alex (Zurriel De Peslouan) is threatened with firing if he can't find a really sensational story to boost the sales of the sleazy tabloid he works for. Looking around for leads, he pressures his escort girlfriend into letting him snoop around her more interesting clients. On digging through one of their bags, he discovers clues that lead him to unwittingly infiltrate an exclusive and deadly club – a group of powerful men who don masks and travel to a remote estate where they hunt human targets (and one another) as a high-stakes gambling game.

Murder-as-sport is a plot point as old as the hills, and The Hunt doesn't really bring a lot new to the concept. Alex is a resourceful and surprisingly moral hero, and the violence is tense, visceral and uncomfortable. Unfortunately the film tends to have important things happen off-screen, so that their results seem to happen out of nowhere. This wastes chances to build tension, and eventually undercuts the ending of the movie – making it seem pointless where it could have been tragic.

There's also the wasted chance to make something of the tantalising mystery the murder-club presents has by its very existence – it seems very old, and presumably has interesting (and horrifying) roots, goals and traditions. Unfortunately, this is only ever hinted at and never really explored.

On the plus side, it's nicely shot and Peslouan does a good job of making a gutter journalist seem like a genuinely heroic guy.

Not strictly recommended, though if you're a hard-core fan of either survivalist horror, or human-hunting movies more generally, you could do worse.

DISC DETAILS:

DIRECTOR(S): Thomas Szczepanski | COUNTRY: France | YEAR 2012 | DISTRIBUTOR(S): MVD Visual | RUNNING TIME: 74 minutes | ASPECT RATIO: 2.35:1 | REGION: ALL / NTSC | DISCS: 1

EXTRAS:

The only extra included is the original trailer.

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