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DVD Review: In the Sign of the Lion



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DVD Released: May 19th, 2009 Approximate Running Time: 81 Minutes Aspect Ratio: 1.78:1 Anamorphic Widescreen

Rating: NR

Sound: Dolby Digital Stereo Danish

Subtitles: English DVD Release: Smirk

Region Coding: Region 0 NTSC

Retail Price: \$21.95

The Film

Two elderly sisters continue to have their novels rejected by their publisher. They keep sending them out and they keep getting them back with rejection letters. There just isn't enough sex and romance in them. They decide to translate their true life adventures with the romantic Count Johan and his evil brother Count Hubert. The only one who knows they are the authors of the book is their postman that they have confided in.

The novel is a best seller and the publisher demands to meet the author. The two sisters are ashamed to admit they wrote the book so they say that the author is their nephew who is out of town. It's when the nephew comes back to town that the sex and hi jinks kick into high gear.

Just like In The Sign Of The Taurus, this is a well done comedy that just happens to have some scenes of hardcore sex in them. I actually watched this one first and thought, 'Oh erotica. So, it will be that soft-core stuff like Misty Mundae does. Yeah, and then all of a sudden it was much more! Kind of threw me for a loop. This doesn't detract from what is a very funny comedy of errors. Kind of makes me wish that Hollywood would take a page from the Danish film making book and do this from time to time. It would be scandalous, but I bet it would make a mint.

Transfer And Audio

This film is crystal clear, just like In The Sign Of The Taurus, and even though I couldn't understand a word out of their mouths, the sound transfer sounded immaculate as well. The subtitles seemed comprehensive and were always clear to read.

Extras

Not much. Some stills and a trailer.

Overall

This, along with "In The Sign Of The Taurus", was a wonderful introduction to Danish erotica. A lighthearted comedy with a lot of silliness coupled with some of the more erotic, hardcore sequences I had seen in some time. It was a little weird to get used to seeing sex scenes that never follow through to their natural conclusion, but after a while I got the hang of it.

Review by Douglas Waltz

Posted by Nick Frame at 9:00 AM

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