

I rarely receive movies to review, mostly bad porn but this seemed interesting so why not? So after watching it I must ask why... Why did someone think that this needed to be put on DVD for mass consumption? Was there a "wide valley of nothing" on the release slate that this could fill? See, this was, according to the copyright date on the flick, made in 2006 so this has been floating around for 3 years without a distributor, why not a few more? Why not just keep it in the "gothic underground" so only the "cool kids" could see it and dutifully call it their own? The movie is set in the seedy bowels of New York with Nicholas Dread, the focus of our "story", bent on killing the last few mortals to seal his deal with the devil. The devil has said to him supposedly that after he kills 100,000 souls he will rule them in Hell. After going to prison for murder and getting the death penalty he is sent to hell, which looked like a barely lit warehouse so if that is hell, I already work there. Once in hell he discovers that the devil has screwed him out of his minions to rule so he plots to come back and kill more, which he does through a non-willing female. Once back, he slaughters the inhabitants of a seedy club called Scorpion Society that propels him back into hell to finally rule over the 100,000 people. It says on the DVD that a majority of the cast was made up of underground avant guard music and fetish performers... That were willing.... Willing to do what? Make asses out of themselves? These "performers", if you call them that, especially the ones in the Scorpion Society club, mostly looked like rejects from a Twisted Sister or Grim Reaper video. It looks put on so to speak and I am sure it was. I am all for art but the "avant guard" performers to me always seem to be reaching and trying to stand out for no other reason than to be "different". Different does not mean you are good but can mean you come off looking like an ass which most of the cast does throughout the movie. This flick lasts 75 minutes and that is 75 minutes I will not get back in my life. Is there a real plot? To me, not really? Is there substance? No, looks like a reason to kill some people and see a few chicks naked. Is it a bore? Absolutely. In addition, it features Mistress Juliya on the front cover with her name (who really goes out and gets a d grade celebrity to help sell a flick) at the top and she is barely in the movie. Did you need that worthless name on the marquee to sell this flick? This movie needed her like a vegan needs milk, useless. Now, to finish this off, I create TV shows and have producer/videographer credit for a few DVDs as well, I know what it takes to make film sound great, and something tells me these people do not. Many parts, it seems, were filmed with a handheld and just the mic on the camera, no externals like a wireless or a boom to bring up the actors voices. Though this was not a bad thing, I am sure whatever they were saying was not necessary. While sitting here watching this my wife and I were straining to hear parts of it and it became a chore. We have an hdtv with surround and still could not make out half of it. Good job on going back in and fixing the sound. Overall, if you have 75 minutes to kill and you have nothing else better to do, then watch something else.

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