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THE AUTUMN SONATA

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Screenplay Ingmar Bergman/Photogaphy Sven Nykvist/Art
Director Anna Asp/Editor Sylvia Ingmarsdotter/Leading Players ingrid
Bergman, Liv Ullmann, Lena Nyman, Halvar Bjork, Knut Wigert, Geord
Lokkeberg, Erland Josephson, Linn Ullmann/Export Agent Forest Film
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For Charlotte, visiting her daughter after seven years and recovering from the death of her Italian lover, emotion is all a matter of technique. Her career has left her family emotionally crippled. Her daughter Eva's life with her parson husband is an emotional vacuum in which she nurses her retarded sister whom Charlotte has forgotten. She has neither the nerve to commit suicide nor the strength to reject her mother's baleful influence, whilst her strange appearance—half-woman, half-schoolgirl—betrays a childhood without a mother and the memories of an abortion and a drowned son. When Charlotte arrives these suppressed emotions and familial lies and guilts erupt.

CHARLOTTE

INGRID BERGMAN

EVA

LIV ULLMANN

HELENA

LENA NYMAN

VIKTOR

HALVAR BJÖRK

LEONARDO

GEORG LÖKKEBERG

THE PROFESSOR

KNUT WIGERT

THE NURSE

EVA VON HANNO

JOSEF

ERLAND JOSEPHSON

EVA AS A CHILD

LINN ULLMANN

ONCLE OTTO

ARNE BANG-HANSEN