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USA 2004

Brett Ratner

Director

Producers Tripp Vinson Jay Stern Beau Flynn Screenplay Paul Zbyszewski Craig Rosenberg Story Paul Zbyszewski Director of Photography Dante Spinotti Edited by Mark Helfrich **Production Designer** Geoffrey Kirkland Music Lalo Schifrin

 New Line Productions. Inc **Production Companies** New Line Cinema presents a Firm Films/ Contrafilm production A Rat Entertainment production A Brett Ratner film **Executive Producers** Patrick Palmer Toby Emmerich Kent Alterman Associate Producers Keith Goldberg Chris Pollack James M. Freitag Alissa Ferguson Executive in Charge of Production

Erik Holmberg
Production Executive
Dana Belcastro
Production Supervisors
Ilt Jones
Emre Sonmez
2nd Unit:
Steven Wayne
Wendy Cox
Production Accountant
Alex Matcham

Production Controller
Jon Davidson
Supervising Production
Co-ordinator
Emily Glatter
Production Co-ordinator
Kaylene Carlson
Unit Production Managers
Patrick J. Palmer
Steven Saeta

Douglas Dresser

Post-production

Executive in Charge of:
Jody Levin
Supervisor:
Rick Reynolds

2nd Unit Director

Conrad E. Palmisano

Location Manager

Assistant Directors
1st: James M. Freitag
2nd: Jonathan McGarry
Bac De Lorme
2nd 2nd: Bradley Morris
2nd Unit
1st: Dave Cass Jr
Script Supervisor
Martin Kitrosser

Casting

Victoria Thomas

Associate: Robyn Owen ADR Voice: Caitlin McKenna 2nd Unit Director of Photography Kyle Rudolph **Underwater Director** of Photography and Unit: Pete Zuccarini Camera Operators Duane Manwiller Chris Moseley and Unit: Kyle Rudolph Steadicam Operator

Executive in Charge of Visual Effects Lauren Ritchie Visual Effects Supervisor Stephen Rosenbaum Visual Effects Warner Brothers Visual

Duane Manwiller

Effects Special Effects Co-ordinator: Joe Pancake Foreman: Ken Ebert Technicians: James Nagle Eric Frazier Graphic Design Black Box Digital, LLC Graphic Visual Effects Producer: Karin Levinson Graphic 2D Artists: Jorge Almeida Paul Luna Additional Editor Julia Wong **Art Director** Steve Arnold Set Designer Noelle King Set Decorator Jennifer Williams

Storyboard Artist
Tani Kunitake
Costume Designer
Rita Ryack
Associate Costume
Designer
Maria Tortu
Costume Supervisor
Nancy McArdle
Make-up Department
Head
Julie Pearce
Make-up Artist
Denise Dellavalle

Animatronic Shark Effects
Created by
Edge Innovations
Hairstylist
Camille Friend
Main/End Titles Designed
by

The Studio at New Wave Entertainment Opticals Custom Film Effects Digital Intermediate Services Provided by Company 3 Orchestrations Ira Hearshen Music Supervisors Gary Calamar Thomas Golubic **Executive in Charge** of Music Paul Broucek Music Executive Bob Bowen **Music Editors**

Gustavo Borner Music Consultants Salaam Remi Craig Kallman Soundtrack "B.O.B. (Bombs Over Baghdad)" - OutKast; "Kiss Me" - Sixpence None the Richer, "Love Rollercoaster" - Red Hot Chili Peppers; "The Pineapple Song (Turn around and Let Me See)" - Good Size; "Mama Lay Lay Lay", "Home Sweet Home", "Pretty Blue Eyes" - Tony Seymour, "You Never Know",

Charles Martin Inouye

Score Recorded/Mixed by

Andrew Dorfman

"Tempted to Touch" -Rupee; "Bhangraton" -Salaam Remi, Socorro; "Sugar Bum Bum" -Visage; "Night and Day" - Dawn Penn; "A Who Seh Me Dun" - Cutty Ranks; "Mellow Mood", "Put It On" - Bob Marley and the Wailers; "Show Me the Way to Go Home"; "Agora Só Falta Você" – Maria Rita; "California Dreamin", "Go Where You Wanna Go" - The Mamas & The Papas; "La-C-Doe"; "Punkie" - Sean Paul, Tego Calderon; "Bombastic (Sting/ Shaggy Remix)" -

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Shaggy, contains a sample of "Let's Get It On" - Marvin Gaye; "Police and Thieves" -Junior Murvin; "Cobra Style" - Teddybears Sthlm featuring Mad Cobra, contains a sample of "Press Trigger" - Mad Cobra; "Party All the Time" - Eddie Murphy; "Bam, Bam" - Toots & the Maytals; "I Got It" -Kevin Lyttle featuring Spragga Benz, contains a sample of "Upside Down"; "Drive Me Crazy" Kevin Lyttle featuring Mr. Easy Choreographers Rosero McCoy Jamal Sims Sound Mixer Kim H. Ornitz Supervising Sound Mixers Steve Maslow Gregg Landaker Supervising Sound Editor Gregory King Co-supervising Sound Editor Yann Delpuech Dialogue Supervisor Robert Grieve Dialogue Editor Darren King **Effects Editor** Ai-Ling Lee ADR Supervisor: Robert Grieve Recordist: Phillip Rogers Mixer: Jeff Gomillion Foley Supervisor: Hari Ryatt Artists: Andy Malcolm Goro Koyama Mixers: Don White Louis Hone **Diamond Consultant** Martin Katz, Ltd Tennis Pro Consultant Darryl Goldman **Technical Consultant** Maxwell Marine Co-ordinator Matthew O'Connor Stunt Co-ordinator Conrad E. Palmisano Helicopter Pilot Al Guthery Film Extracts To Catch a Thief (1955) Into the Blue (2004)

Cast
Pierce Brosnan
Max Burdett
Salma Hayek
Lola Cirillo
Woody Harrelson
Stanley P. 'Stan' Lloyd
Don Cheadle
Henri Mooré

Naomie Harris Sophie Chris Penn rowdy fan Mykelti Williamson Agent Stafford Obba Babatundé Zacharias Russell Hornsby lean-Paul Rex Linn Agent Kowalski Robert Curtis-Brown Mark Moses Lakers FBI agents Michael Bowen FBI driver Tony Ledard referee Karl Malone Shaquille O'Neal **Gary Payton** themselves Andrew Fiscella popcorn victim Gianni Russo Clippers fan Jeff Garlin Ron Lisa Thornhill Gail Kate Walsh Sheila Tom McGowan Ed Joel McKinnon Miller Wendell Rachael Harris lune Troy Garity Luc Shakara Ledard **Audrey Quock** masseuses **David Reivers** Bahamian cop Kamal Marayati ship entrance security Gillian Vigman exhibit guide Noémie Lenoir Omyhra Mota Oluchi Onweagba Moore's girls Alan Dale security chief Kirk B.R. Woller security guard Donald Miller radio voice **Leshay Tomlinson** receptionist Anthony Reynolds evening shift guard Paul Benedict night shift guard Ted Detwiler Chad Gabriel Keith Sweitzer Rodney O'Neal McKnight bathroom boys

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12A
Distributor
Entertainment Film
Distributors Ltd
8,755 feet +14 frames
97 minutes 17 seconds

Frank Bruynbroek

ship's steward

Dolby Digital/DTS/SDDS Colour by CFI Prints by DeLuxe 2.35:1 [Panavision]

Present-day Los Angeles. FBI agent
Stanley Lloyd is charged with guarding
the Napoleon diamond. Despite high
security, master criminal Max Burdett
and his lover/accomplice Lola steal it and
retire to a tropical island. Stan pursues
them, believing they are planning
another heist to steal the last remaining
Napoleon diamond, on display in a cruise
ship docked on the island for a week.

Stan is arrested by local officer Sophie but on discovering he's an FBI agent she offers her help. Max puts Stan up at a luxury hotel to distract him. The two



A place in the sun: Pierce Brosnan, Salma Hayek

men go fishing together. Stan and Sophie have a fling. Local gangster Henri Mooré approaches Max to help him steal the diamond. Max photographs the ship's structural plans and gives them to Mooré, advising him on tactics. Lola throws Max out after discovering the plan. He spends the night in Stan's hotel room. Sophie discovers that Stan is actually suspended from the FBI following his earlier failure. They argue. That night, Max and Stan attempt to win round their lovers. Max suggests they all go scuba diving as a way of convincing them he has no plans to steal the diamond, which leaves with the ship the next day.

During the dive, Max separates from the others, steals the diamond and returns undetected, except by Lola who knows what he has done. Back on shore Stan and Sophie discover the theft and Lola leaves Max. She is stopped by Mooré, furious that Max double-crossed him. Before he can shoot Max, he is shot dead by Stan and Sophie. Max convinces Lola to stay by proposing to her. Stan reveals that he has been playing Max all along and has taken the diamond from Max's hiding place. Just as Stan is about to get on a plane to sell the diamond, Max hijacks the car to steal it back.

Beginning where most heist films end, with the criminals successfully pulling off the mythic last big score, After the Sunset eschews the urban grittiness of films such as Rififi (1955), revelling instead in the tropical paradise of its island setting and leisurely pace of a life in retirement. Brett Ratner's sixth feature (following the likes of Rush Hour and Red Dragon) doesn't seem overly concerned with adhering to the genre conventions of the caper film. While the likes of Ocean's Eleven (2001) and Rififi portrayed their heists in elaborate detail, here the

action serves largely as bookmarks, opening and closing the film with maximum efficiency and minimum screen time, leaving Ratner space to concentrate on the central relationship between Pierce Brosnan's master thief Max 'king of the alibi' Burdett and Woody Harrelson's hapless FBI agent Stanley Lloyd. While reminiscent of the cat-andmouse dynamic of Heat's (1995) pairing of Robert De Niro and Al Pacino, Brosnan and Harrelson avoid much of that film's macho posturing, instead relying on a laconic, freewheeling chemistry. In the film's press notes, Ratner cites Midnight Run (1988), another De Niro vehicle, as a major inspiration for the film. While After the Sunset lacks that film's acerbic screenplay, it is at its most enjoyable when playfully teasing its two male stars' masculinity. The funniest scene comes when Brosnan and Harrelson are discovered in bed together, along with seemingly compromising photos of the two applying sun lotion to each other. Lest there be any question mark over the protagonists' virility, however, Ratner makes sure to equip them with attractive leading ladies, taking particular pleasure in photographing Hayek in various states of undress.

Brosnan has made something of a career out of revisiting past characters. Just as his turn as the villainous British spy in *The Tailor of Panama* (2001) seemed a sly dig at his defining role in the James Bond films, so here does he riff on his earlier portrayal of a master criminal in *The Thomas Crown Affair* (1999). Just as that film was a victory of style over substance, *After the Sunset* is the cinematic equivalent of one of the many colourful cocktails on display throughout the film: easy on the eye, effortlessly enjoyable and instantly forgettable.

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