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Dai-Ei Kyoto, 1966. Based a novel by Yoriyoshi Arima.

Summary of plot.

In 1939 during the Sino-Japanese War Nish Sakura (Ayako Wakao) is assigned to a military hispital in Tientsin as a nurse.

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In the midst of a fierce battle she is raped by the patients (soldiers).

Under these expreme conditions she falls in love with a military doctor (Shinsuke Ashida) who is a morphine addict.

Throwing her entire womanly existence into the effort she tries to save him when the forbidden symptoms show up at an isolated village in the front lines.

Under attack by the Chinese Army the Japanese soldiers go off to their death. Sakura tighly embraces the body of the dying doctor.

One of a number of works by Masumura starring Ayako Wakao.