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L'Avventura

*Directed by Michelangelo Antonioni*

*Italy 1960, 35mm, b/w, 145 min.*

*With Monica Vitti, Gabriele Ferzetti,*

*Lea Massari*

*Italian with English subtitles*

AFTER AN ARGUMENT with her lover during a yachting party, a woman disappears from the Sicilian island they've been exploring. Both her lover and best friend set out to find her, but the urgency of their search dissipates as they fall into a disquieting sexual relationship.

Antonioni's celebrated film, which he once described as "a detective story back to front," displays the director's fascination with landscape, geometry, and architectural forms as means of expressing the troubled state of Italy's postwar middle class.

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