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Identificazione di una Donna

Identification of a Woman Italy 1982

Director: Michelangelo Antonioni

Producers: Giorgio Nocella and Antonio Macri Executive Producer: Alessandro von Normann

Production Companies: Iter Film and

Gaumont S.A.

Screenplay: Michelangelo Antonioni and Gerard Brach with the collaboration of

Tonino Guerra

Photography: Carlo di Palma Editor: Michelangelo Antonioni

Sound: Mario Bramonti

Music: John Fox

Set Designer: Andrea Crisanti Costumes: Paola Comencini Production Manager: Lynn Kamern

Running time: 128 minutes

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Cast:

Niccolò: Tomas Milian Ida: Christine Boisson Mavi: Daniela Silverio Mario: Marcel Bozzuffi Girl at pool: Lara Wendel Carla Farra: Veronica Lazar

Nadia: Enrica Fico

Mavi's sister: Sandra Monteleoni Stranger: Giampaolo Saccarola

Lucio: Itaco Nardulli

Close-up man: Carlos Valles Butcher: Sergio Tardioli

Girl in window: Paola Dominguin Mavi's friend: Arianna de Rosa

Young man at party: Pierfrancesco Aiello Tenant's friend: Maria Stefania d'Amario

Tenant: Giada Gerini

Mavi's father: Alessandro Ruspoli Mavi's mother: Luisa della Noce

This is Antonioni's latest film and that is sufficient reason for seeing it, but this is also his first film in eighteen years set in contemporary Italy. Tomas Milian stars as a middle-aged film director in search of both a subject for his new film and a woman to live with. Superbly and justifiably self-confident, Antonioni, recapitulating earlier themes, has achieved a hypnotically erotic intensity. The sequence of the fog-bound automobile is worthy of the final tracking shot of The Passenger.