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1964 Color 129 min Universal USA

Produced and Directed by Alfred Hitchcock. Written by Jay Presson Allen, based on the Novel by Winston Graham. Music by Bernard Herrmann. With 'Tippi' Hedren, Sean Connery, Diane Baker, Louise Latham, Martin Gable

You'll know from the opening establishing shot that you're in Hitchcock country and you'll stay locked there all the way to the hair-raising climax! The stunning Marnie is a first-class secretary and the apple of her employer's eye. She happens also to be a compulsive thief who has taken her last employer to the cleaners, before disappearing into thin air. When Sean Connery hires her, she attempts robbery once too often. He forces her to marry him, and then quick-marches her through a past she cannot face, in order to uncover the cause of her penchant for taking other people's money. The surreal "dream" sequence climax in the cold water flat down by the waterfront, combines with Bernard Herrmann's eerie score to take the starch out of any audience!

A—Excellent, Y—Mature, C—No, PARENTS' MAGAZINE

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