

A Step into the Darkness

Buyuk Oyun

Turkey/2009 /110'/35 mm/Color /Turkish, Arabic, Kurdish

Direction: Atil Inac

Producer: Ayfer Özgürel, Avni Özgürel

Screenplay: Avni Ozgurel, Atil Inac

Editing: Aziz Imamoglu

Sound: Umut Senyol

Cast: Suzan Genç, Selen Uçer, Serdal Genç, Serkan Genç, Rana Cabbar, Selim Bayraktar, Nalan Kuruçim, Ken Dakan, Özgür Kartal

Indian
Premiere



An entire village in northern Iraq is wiped out when a troupe of purportedly misinformed American soldiers stages a 'regular' nocturnal raid. Cennet, a young Turkmen girl and the only survivor of the raid, is left with no choice but to set out for Kirkuk through the Turkish-Iraq border in search of her elder brother, Azim. When she reaches Kirkuk she learns that Azim has been badly hurt in a bomb blast and taken to Turkey for treatment. Desperate to track him down, Cennet sets off on a strenuous journey, with a sense of resolve strengthened by blind fury and the fact that she has nothing to lose.

A pair of smugglers agrees to help her navigate the perilous mountain passes of northern Iraq and cross illegally into Turkey. When one of them ravished her she tries to kill herself. This time, she is rescued by the members of a radical Islamist organization who help her reach Istanbul, where she soon loses all hope that her brother is still alive. Eventually she finds herself caught in the clutches of a charismatic religious leader who consider her as an expendable instrument to carry out his violent agenda. With nothing left to lose, Cennet becomes the most devastating weapon.