

Be Calm and Count to Seven

Aram bash va ta haft beshmar

Iran/ 2008/ 35mm/ colour/89'/Farsi

Indian
Premiere 

Direction: Ramtin Lavafipour

Producer: Ramtin Lavafipour

Screenplay: Ramtin Lavafipour

Cinematography: Reza Teymouri

Editing: Ramtin Lavafipour

Music: Daroush Namdar Zangeneh

Cast: Hedayat Hashemi, Omid Abdollahi, Mahnaz.

Awards/ Festivals

Tiger Award Rotterdam International Film Festival 2009,

Jury Prix Shanghai International Film Festival 2009,

Special Mention Best Feature Film Rome Independent

International Film Festival 2009

Set in the remote and spectacularly beautiful islands in the Persian Gulf, the story revolves around Motu, who belongs to a gang dealing with smuggled goods. His father has gone missing while transporting illegal human cargo, leaving his pregnant wife and daughter in the boy's care. Motu, who dreams of becoming as rich and famous as his hero, the Brazilian player Ronaldinho, befriends the leader of the smugglers, eventually proposing a dangerous business arrangement. Shot in a pure, ultra-realistic style, the film skilfully portrays a society that is edging towards a fast-moving consumer society, leaving behind the ancient traditions of an isolated fishing village.