

The Blessing

Velsignelsen

Denmark/2009/35mm/Colour/75'/Danish

Direction, Screenplay: Heidi Maria Faisst

Producer: Meta Louise Foldager

Cinematography: Manuel Alberto

Editing: Cathrine Ambus

Sound: Jonas Langkilde, Morten Wille, Morten Groth

Cast: Laerke Winther, Solbjorg Hojfeldt, Mads Riisom

Awards/Festivals

Manheim-Heidelberg Film Festival, Mumbai International Film Festival, Buenos Aires International Festival, Goteborg International Film Festival, The Church of Sweden Film Award, FIPRESCI Award Copanhegan Film Festival

Katrine, a young mother who has just given birth to a beautiful baby girl, feels strange and experiences a strong contempt towards the child. Andreas, the girl's father and Katrine's boyfriend, must make a business trip to Holland, and, during those days, the role of responsible mother at home becomes a nightmare to Katrine, who, in the middle of a crisis, decides to call her mother to help her handle the situation. The supposed solution does nothing but worsen the conflict and instead of feeling helped Katrine gets more and more insecure on her new identity as a mother.