

# **Goldfish Game**

Original title: Goldfish Game

The setting of the dramatic events is Liliane and Leonard's 'castle'. On the eve of the departure of their disabled daughter Lena for a sanatorium in Switzerland, this is the last chance for the company to spend an evening together. The 'castle', a grand mansion set in the woods, is managed by the gentle but firm 'matriarch' of the group, Liliane. Over the years, the mansion has become the meeting place for a group of friends who have become part of the family: Harry, Lena's husband, Ushi, the family lawyer, Afang, Xiang and little Jai, the Chinese family who make up the domestic staff, and Eddy and his new girlfriend Pol. The goldfish game of the title is a tradition of their own invention. It has become the playful and nearly childlike expression of their companionship and friendship: they all stand around the pool, waiting for the starting shot, at which they take their clothes off as fast as they can and jump into the water. The aim is to be the first to come up with the golden figurine of a fish that lies at the bottom of the pool. Even Mike, the local policeman and friend of the family, enjoys taking part in this compelling group ritual. But exactly at the moment when the group affirms itself in the game, disaster is announced in the form of David, a detective whom Mike has introduced to the company in good faith. The arrival of David, the outsider, poses a threat to the identity of the group.

### **CREDITS**

## **TECHNICAL SPECS**

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**RUNNING TIME: 105'** 

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# **CREATION DETAILS**

TYPE: Film

**PRODUCTION SHARE:** Majority Flemish

Production

**YEAR OF PRODUCTION: 2002 PRODUCTION STATUS:** Completed **ORIGINAL TITLE:** Goldfish Game **ORIGINAL LANGUAGE:** English





