

Kukgyeongûi namjjok / *Over the Border*

국경의 남쪽



Synopsis

Sun-ho, a horn player for the Mansoodae Art Company, Pyongyang's state propaganda troupe, is a man who has everything: he's from a well-to-do family and has a beautiful fiancée, Yeon-hwa. Unfortunately, just after he asks her to marry him, his family receives news that their communist hero grandfather is not actually dead, but is alive and well in South Korea. Terrified that the government will send them to a concentration camp, the family flees across the border, with Sun-ho promising that he will send for his love as soon as he can. His family has to flee North Korea and they take refuge in Seoul. Now with no money or friends, Sun-ho's only hope is to make enough money to bring Yeon-hwa from North Korea. Sadly, things in Seoul don't turn out well for the family, and they end up struggling to make ends meet. Seon Ho begins a new life of hardship, working here and there to make money. He meets a nice woman who runs a fried chicken restaurant and helps him a lot. One day, he learns that none of the letters he wrote to Yeon-hwa reached her and he believes she has forgotten him. He decides to marry the other woman, and all together with his family they open a successful North Korean food restaurant. Then one day he learns that Yeon-hwa has made her way to South Korea. She is in a North Korean refugees education centre. He manages to see her and he can't find the way to tell her the truth. They 'date' regularly, but one day she sees him on TV with his wife in the restaurant, she understands everything. He manages to run away with her to the seaside. She promises to be his mistress, to love him and be on his side forever. But the next morning she has disappeared. Few years later, as he takes a family photo in a studio, he sees her wedding picture: she married a South Korean young man. He takes the photo with his wife and daughter...

Data sheet

Director: AHN Pan-suk (안판석 / 安判碩)

Main Cast: CHA Seung-won, SHIM Hye-jin

Release Date: MAY 04 2006

Genre: Dramatic comedy

Production: Sidus FNH Corporation

Executive Producer: Cho Choong Hwan, KIM Joo-sung, HUR Dae-young

Producer: YOON Sang-oh, LEE Seok-won, KIM Mi-hee, TCHA Sung-jai

Screenplay: AHN Pan-suk, JEONG Yu-jeong
Cinematography: PARK Yong-soo
Editing: SHIN Min-kyung
Lighting: SONG Taek-joon
Music: HAN Jae-kwon

Distribution: CJ Entertainment
109 mn, 35mm, Color
Rate: Over 12
Box-office results: 252,457 nationwide on 59 screens

Pictures

