



SUNSET SONG

Spring
Season
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Release: 2015

Cert (UK): 15

Language: English

Runtime: 135 mins

Director: Terence Davies

Writer: Terence Davies from the novel by Lewis Grassic Gibbon

Cinematographer: Michael McDonough

Cast: Agyness Deyn, Peter Mullan, Kevin Guthrie



'British filmmaker Terence Davies tells everyday stories as if they were sequences of 'tableaux vivants' plucked from a collective dream memory. It's an uncanny, luminous style. In 'Distant Voices, Still Lives' or 'The Long Day Closes' or 'The Deep Blue Sea' ordinary lives become extraordinary. To the gifted artist, seeing through externals to essentials, that's exactly what they are' – Nigel Andrews, FT

Terence Davies has always made films showing how extraordinary ordinary lives can be. In 'Sunset Song' he centres on the life of Chris Guthrie; brought up on a distant farm in northern Scotland by an authoritarian father (played by Peter Mullan) in a large family, Davies takes us through her love of the land, and the love of a man before the first world war swamps everything. Although the farming life is hard, providing few if any luxuries, Chris is instinctively connected to the land and it gives her a strength to return to as the years pass.

The story comes from the great Scottish novel by Lewis Grassic Gibbon, and Davies 'mines a rich seam of passion and tragedy in the story... (and) brings out the Hardy-esque nature of this story' – Peter Bradshaw, Guardian.

Agyness Deyn (seen here in her first real role in 'Electricity' last year) has won praise for her portrayal of the main character, Chris, and Peter Mullan ('Hector' from 3 weeks ago) is made for roles like her father.

