

AFIRE

(Roter Himmel)



Release: 2023 Cert (UK): 12A Country: Germany

Language: In German with English subtitles

Runtime: 1 hour 42 mins Director: Christian Petzold Written by: Christian Petzold Cinematographer: Hans Fromm

Cast: Thomas Schubert, Paula Beer and Enno Trebs



Leon (Thomas Schubert) goes away to his friend Felix's parents' house for some peace and quiet to write his book. When they arrive, they find the house is not empty; Felix's Mum forgot to tell him that Nadja was already staying there... and the forest fire is getting closer and closer... 'This is a film about youth, climate change, ego, artistry and, well, being a human in the world. So naturally the main protagonist is an arrogant, offputting writer aggrieved by everything and everyone around him as he tries to work on his latest novel in a would-be idyllic setting' - Lindsey Bahr, Associated Press.

'It's a delightful surprise that [director] Petzold does this examination of masculinity with a generous helping of humour, perhaps delivering his funniest movie yet, elevated by Schubert's exacting performance as someone you both want to smack and lend a shoulder to cry on' - Tomris Laffly, The Wrap.

