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THE SPIDER'S PREY

August Blom, Denmark, 1916

26 min. | DK/Feature | Drama, Erotic melodrama, Crime film, Detective movies, Gangster film | Silent films



The titular villain is an infamous international criminal, Mrs. Valentin Kempel, known as “The Predator Spider” due to her habit of ensnaring innocent victims in her web. Men are enchanted by her, and she uses this to coerce them into taking part in her criminal activities. When one of her victims takes his own life, the victim’s brother and a detective decide to put an end to the beautiful criminal’s reign of terror. But The Hunting Spider does not give in so easily – and she is not afraid to use unsporting tricks against her new opponents.

Basic information

Credits

Materials

Original title	Rovedderkoppen
Danish title	Rovedderkoppen
International titles	The Hunting Spider, Panthergräfin, L' araignée vorace
Other titles	Den røde Enke
Director	August Blom
Screenplay	Carl Th. Dreyer , Sven Elvestad
Appearance	Rita Sacchetto , Hans Richter , Thorleif Lund , Peter Nielsen
Production country	Denmark
Domestic distribution	Fotorama
Technical info	1118 meter, 35 mm, Silent
Danish theatrical release	08.05.1916
Cinemas	Vesterbro Teater

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