



## SYNOPSIS

Newly-trained police officer Katarina Huss is drawn into a tangled web of corruption and betrayal in the city of Gothenburg.

Katarina Huss has just graduated from Sweden's police academy. She's an ambitious young officer who now needs to learn faster than ever as she starts work on the streets of Gothenburg. But solving crimes is just the beginning. As she gets to know her colleagues and local community, she soon realizes that the police squad in which she serves harbors a secret. There is also an underlying discontent with the leadership which begins to affect Katarina, whose mother, Irene Huss, is the deputy chief of police. Katarina has a complex relationship with Irene, who doesn't want her to follow a similar career path. She must also struggle to be accepted among her colleagues. When Katarina is temporarily promoted, the rift grows. What is it that they are trying to hide from her? And how far must one go to become a part of the team?

Huss is inspired by the bestselling novels by Helene Tursten. It is a loosely based sequel to the series featuring iconic police detective Irene Huss. In Huss, daughter Katarina takes center stage. Huss brings together Sweden's creative talents producer Daniel Gylling (the BBC's Wallander) and director Jörgen Bergmark (Grey Zone, Beck).

Katarina Huss is played by European shooting star Karin Franz Körlof (The Wife, The Restaurant) who is actually from Gothenburg and brings a personal touch to the role of this gritty and relevant series.

# A SENSE OF BELONGING.

The themes of HUSS somehow all relate to the concept of identity. The young and inexperienced police officer wanting to fit in and to belong to the squad. The daughter wanting to earn respect and to make her mother proud. And of loyalty; to be seen upon as a traitor and at times even feel as one. Strange as it may seem, I think of a movie like "Platoon", where a newcomer has to navigate in a new moral landscape. "Training day" is another reference in terms of theme. Struggling to be true to her inner self, Katarina is torn between right and wrong.

As the first season of HUSS unravels, Katarina is moving fast from her role as a uniformed beginner towards plain clothes investigator. She realizes her squad is hiding something, something that has to do with the riots in Gothenburg that escalated when a member of the squad got hurt. She also finds out that her mother is part of the cover up. The stakes rise and all the themes work simultaneously towards a dramatic confrontation with all players deeply involved.

Jörgen Bergmark – Writer & Director





# 01 | THE TRAINEES

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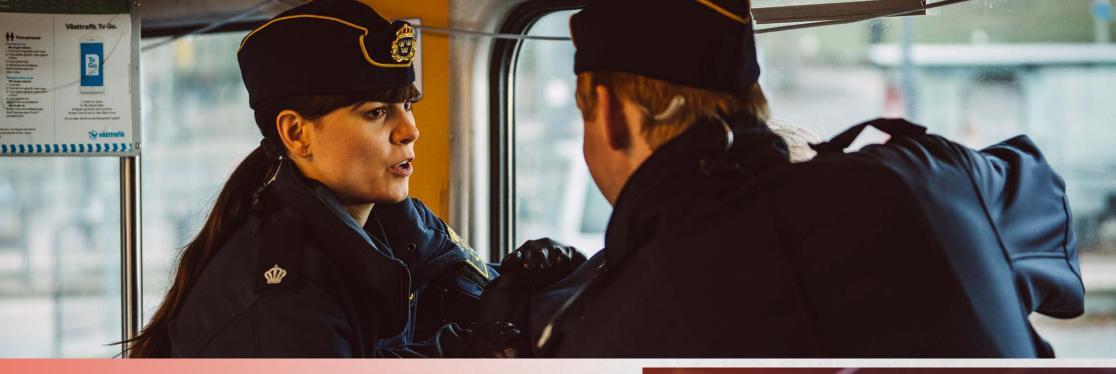
When Katarina Huss starts as a trainee she gets a sceptical reception from her colleagues as her mum Irene is the deputy chief of police. The situation worsens as Katarina almost immediately secures a place on a murder inquiry which leads to open conflict. But when a young witness vanishes Katarina and her colleagues overcome their differences to search for the boy.

When Katarina Huss arrives as a trainee at the police authority in Göteborg six months have passed since an officer was seriously injured in the course of policing a riot. A growing feeling of discontent with the leadership spills over on Katarina, whose mum Irene is the deputy chief of police. When Katarina then manages to talk her way into a murder inquiry the taunts and innuendo turn to open conflict. But when a young witness vanishes Katarina and her colleagues are reconciled to search for the boy. He must be found before he comes to more harm.









# 02 | THE CORRECTION

When the evidence proves too weak to convict an infamous wifebeater, Katarina's loyalty to her squad is tested. How far is she prepared to go to be part of the team?

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# 04 | THE BETRAYAL

Katarina infiltrates a gang of drug smugglers but finds it hard to separate her career role from her private life.

Katarina works as an infiltrator in an operation against serious drugs crime. She is in contact with a young woman who sells drugs and hopes that through her she might reach the leader of the criminal gang. But as her friendship with the young woman deepens, Katarina finds it increasingly difficult to keep separate her career role and private life.

In an attempt to get away from her dysfunctional police team Katarina volunteers to work as an infiltrator in an operation aimed at narcotics smugglers. She establishes a rapport with a young woman who sells drugs and hopes that she will expose the gang leader. Katarina is drawn deeper into the criminal organisation, pushing the boundary of what the law allows, and at the same time trying to protect the young woman. And as her friendship with her deepens, Katarina finds it increasingly difficult to distinguish between her career role and private life.











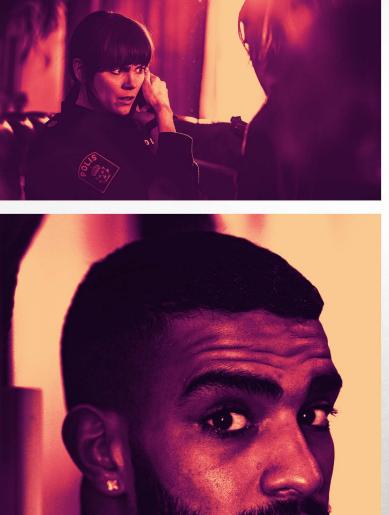
# 05 | THE RIOTS



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After the police officer who has been in a coma since the riots on Valdemars road dies of his injuries, the unity of the police team falls apart. But Katarina quickly realises that there are circumstances around the police officer's death which have not been investigated. He was struck by a cobble stone but his attacker was never brought to justice. When another colleague becomes the victim of a hit-and-run the trail leads straight back to Katarina's own police squad. She finally realises that the attack with the car was a desperate attempt to conceal what really happened during the riots.

















# KATARINA HUSS

## KARIN FRANZ KÖRLOF

Known for **Den allvarsamma leken** (2016), **Blå ögon** (2014), **Merum imperium** (2014)





# JOHAN JANSSON

## **ANDERS BERG**

Known for **The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo** (2011), **Jordskott** (2015), **Borg McEnroe** (2017)



## DARIUS KIANI

## KARDO RAZZAZI

Known for Alex (2017), Backstabbing for Beginners (2018), Peachmaker (2020)





## **CREDITS**

#### **FORMAT**

5 x 90' | 10 x 45'

## **AVAILABLE**

ready-made and remake

## **PRODUCED BY**

Yellow Bird in co-production with Viaplay, Discovery, ZDF German Television Network and ZDF Enterprises

#### CAST

Karin Franz Körlof, Anders Berg, Filip Berg, Kajsa Ernst, Kardo Razzazi a.o.

## YEAR OF PRODUCTION

2020

## **ORIGINAL LANGUAGE**

Swedish

## **BROADCASTER**

Viaplay, ZDF

### WRITER

Peter Lindblom, Jörgen Bergmark

#### **DIRECTOR**

Jörgen Bergmark









A **viaplay** ORIGINAL

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