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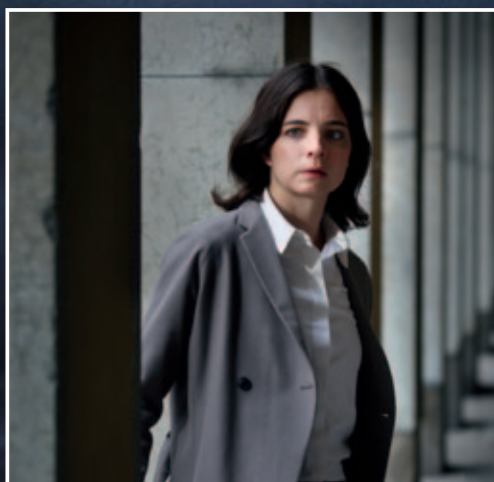
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GENERAL SYNOPSIS



It's barely 10 weeks left to the general election. Annika Nilsson, a representative for the extreme right wing party, Trygghetspartiet, is on her way home after a successful public meeting. In her speech she once again blamed the immigrants for the poor economy and increasing unemployment. But she never makes it home. In the midst of Ludvika, one of Sweden's most picturesque and serene small towns, she gets brutally murdered.

Annika's party, as well as the governing conservative party, immediately seizes the opportunity; a controversial political murder is powerful ammunition during an election campaign. The struggle between Trygghetspartiet and the conservatives, about who can make the most political mileage out of the tragic incident, begins.

At the Guvernemnt Offices the Minister of Justice, Gunnar Ljunghed, needs to replace his chief of staff, Sarah Farzin, who has disappeared under mysterious circumstances. He recruits his former chief of staff, Elin Hammar, to assist him. Elin has proven loyal to him before and he needs someone he can rely on. Gunnar is an old fashioned conservative who doesn't really fit in the new, revitalized party and

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has to fight tooth and nail for his political survival. But Elin soon becomes aware of strange incidents within the department connected to her predecessor's disappearance. The deeper Elin digs in the matter the more trails she finds pointing in the same direction – Ludvika. Is there a connection between Sarah's disappearance and Annika's murder?

At the same time a series of terrorist attacks spreads fear all over the country. A Nazi terrorist cell called Veritas has proclaimed war. They are prepared to do whatever it takes to defend Swedish values. Their aim is to destabilize the country and bring down the government.

Annika's children, Sofia and Simon, handle the loss of their mother in different ways. Simon seeks comfort and safeness in Sofia. Sofia on the other hand becomes increasingly convinced that the immigrants are to blame for her mother's murder. On her search for a scapegoat she finds a xenophobic chat forum on the Internet. She initiates a dialog that eventually will lead her straight into the arms of Veritas.



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Olle Nordlöf, spokesman for Trygghetspartiet, is assigned to recruit Sofia and Simon. But Olle is very affected by Sofia's grief and finds it difficult to carry out his assignment. Instead of setting up a public support fund, Olle secretly takes money from the campaign funds and gives it directly to Sofia.

Soon Olle realizes that Sofia has been deceiving him and concealed the fact that she is involved with Veritas. Olle wants to go to the police but his party convinces him to reconsider. If it became general knowledge that money from their campaign funds was given to Veritas, it would cost the party a significant loss of support and create a scandal of irreparable proportions.

With only a few days left to the general election everything is uncertain. Will Elin uncover one of the most corrupt and shocking conspiracies in Sweden's political history? Will Olle's beloved party sacrifice him in order to avoid a scandal? Will Simon be able to break through to Sofia and convince her that violence is not the only solution? Will Veritas succeed in carrying out the most horrific terrorist attack Sweden has ever known?



THE EPISODES

EPISODE 1

Just a few weeks before the general election Sarah Farzin, the chief of staff at the Justice Department disappears without a trace. The Minister of Justice, Gunnar Ljunghed, replaces her with his former protégé Elin Hammar. Elin soon discovers that someone is trying to cover up Sarah's mysterious disappearance, important documents are missing and others are falsified. At the same time in the small town of Ludvika, Annika Nilsson, a local representative for the extreme right wing party, Trygghetspartiet, gets brutally murdered after holding a controversial speech in the town square.

EPISODE 2

The more Elin investigates Sarah's disappearance the more she is convinced that something terrible has happened to her. Trygghetspartiet sees Annika's murder as a golden opportunity to win new sympathies and votes. They assign their spokesman, Olle Nordlöf, to recruit Annika's children, Sofia and Simon. Meanwhile, the Nazi terrorist cell Veritas surface from their obscurity and carries out the first atrocious terror attacks that will put the whole nation in fear.

EPISODE 3

Annika's murder and Veritas terror attacks has put the government in a crisis – how will they handle the terror threats from Veritas? Olle reaches out to Sofia and Simon and offers to pay for their mother's funeral, without revealing his political agenda. Elin discovers that Sarah's application for leave is falsified and the trails lead back to the Department of Justice. Sofia is seeking comfort and scapegoats on the Internet and stumbles upon a xenophobic chat forum where Annika's murder is blamed on the immigrants.



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EPISODE 4

All of a sudden Elin gets a call that changes everything – a terrified Sarah wants to arrange a secret meeting. Janina confronts Olle and Kristoffer, a large amount is missing from the campaign funds. Olle lies and denies all knowledge of the missing money. In Ludvika Sofia spends more and more time on xenophobic online chat forums, revealing confidential information about Veritas terror attacks that Mattias told her in confidence. This does not go by unnoticed. Sofia has become a serious problem for Veritas.

EPISODE 5

Simon realizes that the move to Stockholm isn't the fresh start Sofia promised. He gets irrevocably involved in Veritas against his will. Elin is shocked to discover that her friend Max is probably involved in Sarah's disappearance. Veritas abducts the female director of a private healthcare company as she leaves home on her way to the office. A video showing the kidnapped healthcare director surrounded by Veritas is published on the Internet. In the same video Veritas proclaims themselves as Sweden's frontline troops in the war to protect Swedish values.

EPISODE 6

The appalling execution of the health care director sends shockwaves over the whole nation. When Mattias and Sofia try to get rid of the body they are spotted by the secret police and the hunt after Mattias begins. Olle confesses to Janina that he actually did give Sofia money, and voices his concern that Sofia might have joined Veritas. Elin's flat is broken into and searched. She suspects that the perpetrators were looking for a controversial uranium document now in her possession. At the same time she gets a call from the Minister of the Environment, he has found CCTV footage of the mystery person signing Sarah's false application for leave.



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EPISODE 7

With only a few days left to the election the police have strong reasons to believe that Veritas is planning a major terror attack. But where and when? Meanwhile Elin struggles to understand why Gunnar has been lying and covering up evidence about Sarah's disappearance. Gustav is furious about all the media and police attention that Mattias has attracted. This can seriously endanger their plans. Olle turns unexpectedly up at Veritas' hide out, looking for Sofia.

EPISODE 8

In the middle of a press conference, held at the Government Offices, the journalists' phones suddenly start to beep simultaneously. In seconds it dawns to everybody that Veritas has executed another terror attack. What is the target of the attack? And is it linked to the kidnapping of the five-year-old son of Magnus, deputy head of security at the Stockholm Stock Exchange, earlier that day?

EPISODE 9

Trapped together with Mattias at Veritas hideout Sofia tends to his wounds. An unsettling feeling torments her, Simon and her son, Love, should be here by now. Could it be that the rest of the group knows something she doesn't. Elin is contacted by an unexpected party who suggests a collaboration that will benefit them both, but can this new ally be trusted? The police finally identify Gustav through the CCTV pictures from the Stock Exchange. He is now the most wanted man in Sweden.

EPISODE 10

After the attack on the Stock Exchange and the cold-blooded murder of Rebecca a battered nation goes to the polls. Both the Conservative Party and Trygghetspartiet are concerned about the outcome of the election. Elin and Gunnar struggle to put the final pieces of the puzzle together, they are about to uncover one of the most corrupt and scandalous political conspiracies this nation ever known. Simon tries to return to the life he once had in Ludvika, but the past catches up with him when Sophia shows up.

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THE CHARACTERS

**ELIN
HAMMAR**
(Louise Peterhoff)



Elin was once all set for a vertical career as the newly appointed chief of staff in the Ministry of Justice. Raised in a working class family from humble origins she fitted perfectly into the new, more moderate image of the conservative Samlingspartiet (National Coalition Party). But that was before secret documents were leaked to the public, forcing Elin to take her leave in humiliation.

Now she's back, only to discover that the power game has become altogether more nasty and dangerous.

**GUNNAR
ELVESTAD**
(Sven Nordin)



Gunnar has been appointed Minister of Justice after losing his campaign for party presidency. His political career is under threat as he is shuffled out and away from the action. A year ago his weakened position forced him to sacrifice his protégé Elin when secret documents were leaked to the public.

Now he's hoping to make it up to her by appointing her chief of staff once again.



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**OLLE
NORDLÖF**
(Kjell Wilhelmsen)



Olle is the spokesman for the right-wing extremist, xenophobic party Trygghetspartiet. Trygghetspartiet is much more than just a party to Olle, it provides him with a sense of belonging and he considers the party members as family.

The fact that Trygghetspartiet is a political pariah only encourages Olli's loyalty – but how far is he prepared to go to protect his beloved party?

**ANNIKA
NILSSON**
(Anna Bjelkerud)



Annika is a local politician in the small town of Uddevalla – and just what Trygghetspartiet needs to attract the female voters: small-town setting, single mother with two children, hard-working geriatric nurse with lots of down-to-earth common sense.

But is Annika ready for prime time?

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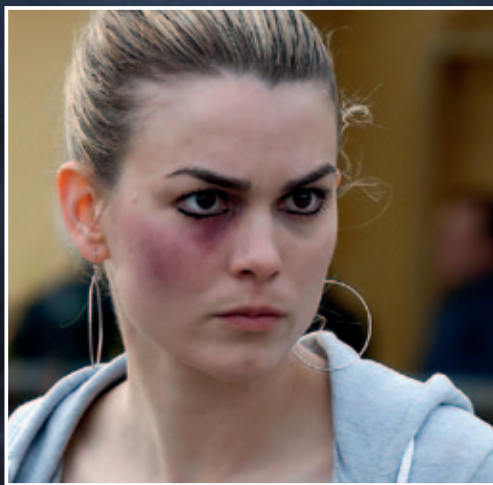
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SOFIA NILSSON

(Karin Franz Körlof)

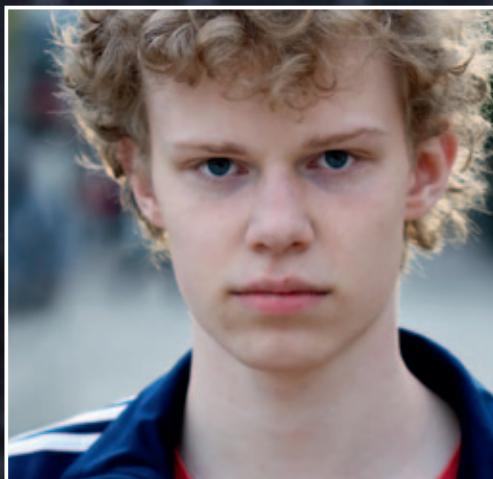


Sofia takes after her mother in many ways.

They were both young mums and they both deserved better men in their lives. They share the same unsentimental approach to life and the same political views. Life has been hard on Sofia and she feels resentment against those who has been handed everything on a silver platter. The only thing that's perfect in her life is her two-year-old son, Love.

SIMON NILSSON

(David Lindström)



Simon leads a sheltered existence. Spoiled by his mother Annika and his elder sister Sofia, he still hasn't left home at age 19, although he has a stable job.

He feels comfortable where he is, and the only thing that bothers and embarrasses him is his mother's political involvement in Trygghetspartiet, or as he would put it, her racism.

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**GUSTAV
ÅKERLUND**
(Erik Johansson)

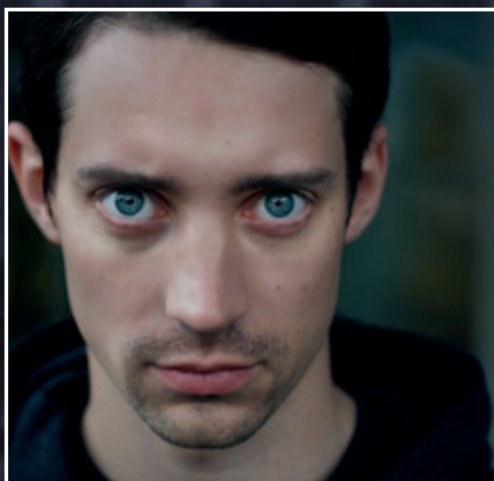


Gustav is an eloquent, polite and popular history teacher at a community college.

You would never have guessed that he's a National Socialist. Not even the secret police is aware of his existence as he always steers clear of organized Nazi movements.

These movements are full of losers, all words and no action. Gustav plans to go beyond just words.

**MATTIAS
CEDERGREN**
(Adam Lundgren)



Mattias charms his way through life with unabashed confidence. As the progeny of a wealthy and privileged family he has always been treated like a prince. Consequently Mattias rates himself as a cut above the rest.

His contact with Gustav has exposed him to a philosophy that confirms his personal self-image as an übermensch. Gustav, on the other hand, has tapped into a phenomenal source of violence in Mattias.



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**REBECKA
LUNDSTRÖM**
(Cecilia Frode)



Eight years ago, Rebecka led Samlingspartiet's transformation from a traditional right-wing party into a serious candidate for statesmanship.

After a sojourn as managing director at a PR agency she has now returned to politics. Her favorite strategy is to pour oil on troubled waters; this often puts her in a collision course with Gunnar, who likes to take a more confrontational approach. Rebecka wins most of the battles, as the Prime Minister trusts her blindly.

**MAX
ÅHMAN**
(Linus Wahlgren)



Max is a clerk at the Ministry of Justice and an old friend of Elin's. He is among the few that appreciates that she's back.

He might even nourish a hope that their friendship will develop into something more.

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