

MANON (Cert TBC)



This masterful adaptation of Prévost's 1731 novel *Manon Lescaut* marks quite a departure for Henri-Georges Clouzot, the French director lauded for his acclaimed thrillers *The Wages of Fear* and *Les Diaboliques*.

A classical tragic romance transposed to a World War II setting, Clouzot's film follows the travails of Manon (Cécile Aubry), a village girl accused of collaborating with the Nazis who is rescued from imminent execution by a former French Resistance fighter (Michel Auclair). The couple move to Paris, but their relationship turns stormy as they struggle to survive, resorting to profiteering, prostitution and even murder. Eventually escaping to Palestine, the pair attempt a treacherous desert crossing in search of the happiness which seems to forever elude them...

Clouzot's astute portrayal of doomed young lovers caught in the disarray of post-war France wowed the jury of the 1949 Venice Film Festival, where it won the Golden Lion award. Unjustly overshadowed ever since by the director's suspense films, *Manon* now returns to screens in glorious High Definition with a selection of elucidating extras.

SPECIAL EDITION CONTENTS

- High Definition Blu-ray™ (1080p) presentation
- Original 1.0 mono audio
- Optional English subtitles
- Bibliothèque de poche: H.G. Clouzot, an archival documentary from 1970 in which Clouzot talks of his love of literature and the relationship between the page and the screen
- *Woman in the Dunes*, a newly filmed video appreciation by film critic Geoff Andrew
- Image gallery
- Reversible sleeve featuring two artwork options



RELEASE DATE

On Blu-ray	24th February, 2020
Running time	100 mins
Price	£24.99
Region	B

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Details

Director: Henri-Georges Clouzot

Cast: Serge Reggiani, Michel Auclair, Cécile Aubry

RRP: £24.99

Region: B

Rating: TBC

Genre: Drama

Duration: 100 mins

Language: French

Subtitles: English

Aspect Ratio: 1.33:1

Audio: Mono 1.0

Black & White

Discs: 1

Blu-ray

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