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Luxury Car ("Jiang cheng xia ri")

Director: Chao Wang

Starring: Yuan Tian, He Huang, Yiqun Li, Youcai Wu

Year: 2006

A country schoolteacher reaching retirement comes to Wuhan in search of his only son, whom his dying wife has requested to see one last time. He is met by his daughter Yanhong who works as an escort in a karaoke bar. Yanhong introduces him to a policeman who sympathizes with his plight and agrees to help him to find his son. The two quickly become friends, as they search for the missing son. Yanhong also presents her father to her boyfriend, the owner of the karaoke, an older man, who drives a luxury car. However when the four of them meet for dinner one night the old policeman recognizes the boyfriend as a man he arrested over ten years ago...



Comments: The film offers a glimpse in the dark side of the new China. Very nice performance by Yuan Tian (Yanhong), who infuses her character with tenderness and vulnerability..

Recommended.

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