



MIMOSAS

Spring
Season
2018

Release: 2016

Cert (UK): 15

Country: Morocco

Language: English

Runtime: 1 hour 36 mins

Director: Oliver Laxe

Writer: Santiago Fillol, Oliver Laxe

Cinematographer: Mauro Herce

Cast: Ahmed Hammoud, Shakib Ben Omar, Said Aagli



In the High Atlas Mountains, a caravan of travelers searches for a pass that will allow them to return an ailing elderly Sufi master to his home to die. Among the party is Ahmed, a rascal and a survivor, who is willing to do whatever it takes to rise up from his miserable condition. Ahmed takes up the leadership of the caravan, assisted by Shakib - sent on a mission from a

special place in contemporary Morocco.

British director Ben Rivers made a deeply strange Morocco-set movie, inspired by a Paul Bowles story, entitled 'The Sky Trembles and the Earth Is Afraid and the Two Eyes Are Not Brothers'. It featured a director making a film with non-professionals on location – and for these shots Rivers used a real director and (as it were) real non-professionals making a real film: this film [Mimosas], in fact, from 35-year-old French-born director Oliver Laxe' – Peter Bradshaw, Guardian.



'...there's a puzzle to assemble, but director Oliver Laxe leaves its ends loose, devoting his attention to shapes, figures, and movement within a mountainous Moroccan landscape—a sprawling terrain that contains greater intrigue than any turn of the narrative screw could achieve' – Claton Dillard, Slant Magazine.