

TOMAS, A CHILD OUT OF REACH

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Lone Hertz, Mads Egmont Christensen, Denmark, 1980



97 min. | DK/Documentary



A highly personal documentary about a parent's life with her 14-year-old son Tomas, who is not only psychotic but severely mentally handicapped. Filmed by the boy's mother, actress Lone Hertz, during two weeks at their country home away from Tomas' day-to-day institution. A relationship of love, affection and hard work is portrayed, a struggle to make life bearable for everybody involved.

Basic information

Credits

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Materials

Original title	Tomas - et barn du ikke kan nå
Danish title	Tomas - et barn du ikke kan nå
Keywords	Hertz, Lone , Psychocotic children , Feeble minded children , Skagen , 1980-1989
Director	Lone Hertz , Mads Egmont Christensen
Screenplay	Lone Hertz , Mads Egmont Christensen
Based on	Idé: Lone Hertz
Director of Photography	Bille August , Alexander Gruszynski
Editor	Janus Billeskov Jansen
Sound	Stig Sparre-Ulrich , Peter Witt
Appearance	Tomas Strøbye , Lone Hertz
Production country	Denmark
Production company	HTM Film
Domestic distribution	Kommunefilm
International sales	
Technical info	35 mm, Widescreen, color
Danish theatrical release	03.11.1980
Cinemas	Dagmar, Odense, Århus, Palads, Ballerup Bio
Find more	Hanne Billing: En dreng og hans mor. Levende Billeder 8/1980.
Danish rating	Not recommended for children under 7



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