



# MAYOR, SHEPHERD, WIDOW, DRAGON

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## SYNOPSIS

Pirin is a secluded mountain village in Bulgaria that soon will be extinct - swallowed up by nature. Its 130 remaining inhabitants are mostly widowed women and old bachelors. In search of better living conditions, most young people went to Western Europe. This film is interested in the people who stayed. The MAYOR who is trying to change the village's fate for the better, the SHEPHERD who endures the inevitable decline, the WIDOW who struggles to preserve the unpreservable and Gincho, the legendary DRAGON, hovering above the village waiting for its time to come.

## FESTIVALS

2020

24 Shanghai IFF

2022

43 FFMOP - Filmfestival Max Ophüls Preis

Achtung Berlin FF

39 Int. Frauen\* Film Festival Dortmund+Köln

## CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Eliza Petkova

Germany 2022

97 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

BÜRGERMEISTER, SCHÄFER,  
WITWE, DRACHE

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Sustainability, Nature/Animals,  
Ecology/Environment, Economy

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

Bulgarian

PREMIERE

Germany (2022)

FILM LOCATION

Bulgaria

LINKS / REFERENCE

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