

# STRANDED

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## SYNOPSIS

Early 2014 the citizens of Strackholt, a small village in a remote part of the rural northern German region of East Frisia, receive unusual news: a small group of refugees from Eritrea is 'stranded' amidst their community. Here the newcomers are to await the outcome of their asylum procedure.

The retired schoolteacher Helmut, and journalist Christiane, take the five men under their wings. By providing German lessons, supplying support with local authorities, and baking home-made cakes, they try to make the new, unfamiliar life easier for the refugees, who gladly accept the help. But as days turn to weeks, then to months, new conflicts arise as the mills of German administration grind slowly and the constant uncertainty shatter the nerves of everyone involved.

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## CAST AND CREW

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ORIGINAL TITLE

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