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A Single Man

Director: Tom Ford
Starring: Colin Firth, Matthew Goode, Nicholas Hoult, Julianne Moore

Tom Ford's first feature film is an exercise in beauty and restraint with strong acting at its core. Colin Firth is up for an Oscar for his part as George, an Englishman in California who is suffering

when George is down, then having colours burst to life as happier feelings blush back.

George's best friend Charley, played a bit like a 60s, ginger Patsy Stone by Julianne Moore, and his young, luminous student Kenny (Hoult) are the only real company he keeps in the film, but can they save him from his solitude and thoughts of suicide? ★★★★★



after the death of his beloved partner Jim (Goode).

Whilst some might find it slow, it's all about subtlety, exploring the shifting feelings of a grieving man who at times wants to end it all, and at others sees the potential for a new phase of life. One of Ford's best devices in portraying this emotional seeing is by filming in a flat monochrome



Valentine's Day

Director: Gary Marshall
Starring: Ashton Kutcher, Jennifer Garner, Julia Roberts, Jamie Foxx

Starring half of Hollywood, Valentine's Day is bound to bring in the bucks at the box office, but it's little more than a schmaltzy parade of extreme celebrity.

Intertwining couples and singles in LA break-up and make-up based on the pressures of Valentine's Day, but since we only get snippets of time with the gigantic cast, it's hard to really feel what anyone's going through.

There are so many mini strands to the story that it'd be pointless trying to feed you a plot. Suffice to say, everyone's interlinked and there are crossed wires a-go-go, à la some Shakespearean comedy, but without the legendary verse.

Ashton Kutcher is his big dorky self, Jennifer Garner is amazingly chiseled, Julia Roberts is a pointless army woman cameo, Jamie Foxx plays it for cheap laughs and Ann Hathaway and Taylor Swift battle it out to be the most gorge'n'goofy.

Despite it being a big cheesy no-no on the whole, there are some sharp one-liners and it does have that warm feeling of familiarity as all those famous names roll out. ★★★★★

DVD & BLU RAY

The Little Gay Box of Big Gay Love (And Other Emotions)

Director: Various
Starring: Michael Cassidy, Brent Corrigan



Running at over seven hours, The Little Gay Box of Big Gay Love (And Other Emotions) features over twenty-

five films, ranging from the out and out romantic to funny and frightening to laugh out loud hilarious.

Perfect for Valentine's Day, this box set is packed full of stories of unrequited, furtive and innocent love that has something to suit everyone's taste (in both men and movies), whatever their relationship status.

Along the way there are familiar faces including Ashley Ryder and Michael Cassidy, and subjects touched upon include gay zombies, vampires, ex-trannies, tight trunks and much more. We highly recommend Swedish short Lucky Blue, which is moving, romantic and beautifully acted. ★★★★★



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