



Cinema International

Country : Tunisia

Oura El Jbel

Behind The Mountains

2023 / Colour / 98 minutes / Arabic Standard



Director : Mohamed Ben Attia

Producer : Dora Bouchoucha Fourati

Cinematographer : Frederic Noirhomme

Editor : Lenka Fillnerova

Music : Olivier Marguerit

Cast : Majd Mastoura, Walid Bouchhioua, Samer Bisharat

Synopsis : The story is about a man who violently breaks free from his banal environment, evading society with its principles, codes and institutions. After serving four years in prison, Rafik wishes to show his son his incredible discovery, by taking him to the Atlas Alps in the north-west of Tunisia.



Director's Biography : Mohamed Ben Attia, born on 5th January, 1976, is a director and screenwriter from Tunisia. He studied audiovisual communication at the University of Valenciennes in France after graduating at the Institut de Hautes Etudes Commerciales (IHEC) in Tunis in 1998. He has directed five short films- *Romantisme*, *Deux Comprimés*, *Matin Et Soir* (2004), *Kif Lokhrin* (silver award at *Fespaco* 2006), *Mouja* (2008), *Loi 76* (2011) and *Selma* (2013), which was selected in the international competition of Clermont-ferrand Festival 2014. He has directed his first feature *Inhebek Hedi* in 2016, which has won the Best First Film Award and the Silver Bear Best Actor at the 2016 Berlinale, and was released in more than twenty countries. His second feature *Weldi* (*Dear Son*) is selected at the Directors' Fortnight in Cannes 2018. *Behind The Mountains* is his third feature film.