

G2700 GARDENS OF STONE (USA, 1987)

(Other titles: Giardini di pietra; Les jardins de pierre; Der Steinerne Garten)

Credits: director, Francis Coppola ; writer, Ronald Bass ; novel, Nicholas Proffitt.

Cast: James Caan, Angelica Huston, James Earl Jones, D.B. Sweeney.

Summary: Melodrama set in Washington, D.C. in the early 1970s. A war-toughened sergeant (Caan) who passionately longs to train soldiers for fighting in Vietnam is assigned instead to the elite Old Guard in Washington, D.C. His girlfriend (Huston), a Washington Post reporter, is against the war but respects his view. The sergeant takes a zealous soldier (Sweeney) under his wing and tries to help him train for his tour in Vietnam, but the young soldier is killed three weeks before returning from the war.

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