

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: THE DEEP DARK WATERS

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FADE IN:

1 EXT. FORBIDDEN COVE - NOVEMBER 1757 - DUSK

1

As CARINA SMYTH (25), beautiful astronomer-turned-Pirate Lord of the Caspian Sea, and HECTOR BARBOSSA JR (4), Carina's curious younger brother, row to a dark cove

And something glimmers off the water

And Carina and Hector Jr enter cove

And land on some rocks

As Hector Jr jumps out of rowboat

And excitedly runs around complex

As Carina lights a torch

And walks to a pair of graves - note markings "Jack Sparrow" and "Hector Barbossa"

And finds that one has been desecrated - Barbossa's

And becomes shocked with horror

CARINA SMYTH  
Hector, come here.

As Hector Jr runs over

And shares Carina's shock

HECTOR BARBOSSA JR  
Who did this?

CARINA SMYTH  
I don't know. But we'll find out  
soon.

As Carina makes to leave

As Hector Jr finds a ring in the dirt

And looks up

And sees a painting on the wall

HECTOR BARBOSSA JR  
Carina!

As Carina returns

And closely examines painting

CARINA SMYTH

This is where our quest begins,  
brother.

FADE TO:

Title roll

2 INT. CORRIDOR, MANSION - TWO WEEKS LATER - EVENING

2

As HENRY TURNER (27), headstrong pirate and Governor's affectionate grandson and Carina's former romantic interest refusing to give her up, knocks on bedroom door

As MARGARET SMYTH (54), bright lady living her best life and loving mother of Carina and Hector Jr, answers

MARGARET SMYTH

Yes?

HENRY TURNER

Good evening, Mrs Smyth. The Governor is wondering whether you'd like to dine with him tonight. He wishes to discuss something with all of you.

MARGARET SMYTH

Why, sure. I'll go and tell the others. Thank you, Mr Turner.

As Margaret closes the door

And Henry leaves

CUT TO:

3 INT. DINING ROOM, MANSION - LATER

3

As Henry, ELIZABETH SWANN (49), Henry's mother and Governor's daughter-turned-Pirate King of the Brethren Court, and WILL TURNER (27), Elizabeth's loving husband and Henry's undead father, wait at table

As Margaret, JOSHAMEE GIBBS (76), Margaret's unwell superstitious pirate brother, and Carina join them

JOSHAMEE GIBBS

Apologies for being a little late.

ELIZABETH SWANN  
Don't worry. Father won't be long.

As Gibbs coughs

WILL TURNER  
Are you alright, Mr Gibbs?

JOSHAMEE GIBBS  
Oh, this is nothing. It must be the  
recent weather.

As a worried Gibbs fidgets

As door opens

And a suspicious figure watches on

And unnerves Gibbs

As GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN (75), Elizabeth's affectionate  
father and loyal Governor of Port Royal, walks into room

And everybody stands up

As Governor Swann reaches the table

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
Please, be seated.

As everyone sits down

As a WAITER serves a hearty meal

And everybody tucks in

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN (cont'd)  
Now, to the matter at hand. Carina,  
why do you wish to marry that ghastly  
young Sparrow? He's a pirate after  
all.

CARINA SMYTH  
I'm betrothed to him simply because I  
love him. Pirate or not, he's the one  
for me.

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
I'm afraid, that won't do. Instead,  
you will marry Henry, and I sincerely  
hope you provide him a son within a  
year.

As Carina looks down in distress

And Henry is glad

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN (cont'd)  
The arrangements have already been  
made, Miss Smyth.

As Gibbs coughs

CARINA SMYTH  
I refuse to marry someone I have no  
feelings for. Captain Swann, you of  
all people should know this yourself.

As Elizabeth considers

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
I'm afraid it's too late. You'll wed  
two weeks tomorrow.

As Gibbs coughs several times

And Governor Swann is agitated

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN (cont'd)  
Have you something to say, Mr Gibbs?

As Gibbs looks at his napkin - note some blood

And Margaret glances over

MARGARET SMYTH  
Blood.

As Margaret looks to Gibbs in worry

And holds his hand

JOSHAMEE GIBBS  
Forgive me, but I figure it best if I  
go and rest, Governor.

As Governor Swann nods

And Gibbs leaves

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
If we can return to the wedding  
plans.

CARINA SMYTH  
No. I won't marry Henry no matter  
what happens.

HENRY TURNER  
You surprise me, Carina. I thought we  
were good friends.

CARINA SMYTH  
Henry, that was a long time ago.  
You're not man enough for starters.

ELIZABETH SWANN  
I know how you feel, Carina. But this  
will be good for both our families.

CARINA SMYTH  
My father told me that I could choose  
who to marry, and I chose Hernán. And  
that choice still stands.

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
How dare you refute my wishes!

MARGARET SMYTH  
Just let my daughter be, Governor.

As silence hangs over the room  
As a distressed Carina leaves  
And rubs past Governor Swann  
And sneakily spikes his drink  
As Governor Swann sheds a tear  
As Carina slams door shut  
And a terrified Gibbs screams  
And everyone looks on in concern  
As Governor Swann's temperature suddenly rises

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
It's awfully hot all of a sudden,  
don't you think?

As everyone shakes their heads

ELIZABETH SWANN  
Are you alright, father?

As Governor Swann has a drink

WILL TURNER  
He doesn't look too well.

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
I think I best retire for the night.  
Sleep well, and we can resume our  
discussion in the morning.

As a dizzy Governor Swann leaves the table

And walks off

And suddenly collapses towards the door

As Elizabeth runs over to him

ELIZABETH SWANN  
Father!

As Governor Swann stays unresponsive

ELIZABETH SWANN (cont'd)  
Father, please wake up!

As Elizabeth shares her anguish with Will

CUT TO:

4 INT. MASTER BEDROOM, MANSION - MORNING

4

As an unwell Governor Swann lies in bed

And his worried family surround him

ELIZABETH SWANN  
Grantham won't be long, father. He's  
checking on Gibbs as we speak.

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
I cannot wait any longer, Elizabeth.  
I feel myself growing weak.

CUT TO:

5 INT. BEDROOM, MANSION - CONTINUOUS

5

As a badly coughing Gibbs tries resting in bed

And Carina, Margaret, Hector Jr, ALICIA REDD (60), Gibbs' long-forgotten but forgiving and caring wife, MARGERY COX (34), Gibbs' and Alicia's eldest daughter and mother of their many grandchildren, and BOLLARD (33), Gibbs' only son following in his father's pirate footsteps, gather around in worry

As DOCTOR GRANTHAM (65), distant relative of the Swanns and self-taught family doctor, takes Gibbs' temperature

And examines the results

MARGERY COX

What is it?

DOCTOR GRANTHAM

I'm afraid to say it, but he's got a terrible case of consumption. I would normally recommend sea air, though he is so sick there is nothing more I can do to help him.

As the family are shocked

JOSHAMEE GIBBS

How long have I got left, doctor?

DOCTOR GRANTHAM

I cannot say, but not that long.

As Gibbs looks down in distress

DOCTOR GRANTHAM (cont'd)

I'll leave you now to say your final goodbyes.

As Doctor Grantham leaves

As the family weep bitterly

As Hector Jr approaches Gibbs

And embraces him

HECTOR BARBOSSA JR

Please don't leave me, uncle.

JOSHAMEE GIBBS

I can't guarantee it, son. But what I can guarantee, is that all the tales I have told you of the sea are true, even if they have not yet all been counted for.

As Hector Jr is amazed

JOSHAMEE GIBBS (cont'd)

I want you to find me treasure and  
carry on my tale, even after I am  
gone.

As a tearful Hector Jr nods

As Gibbs' coughing worsens

As Margaret approaches Gibbs

And hands Hector Jr to Carina

MARGARET SMYTH

Joshamee, do send Hector my warmest  
regards when you reach Fiddler's  
Green.

JOSHAMEE GIBBS

I don't want to go, Margaret. That  
beast won't leave.

As a tearful Margaret embraces Gibbs

As mysterious figure looks on through window

As the rest form an orderly queue

CUT TO:

6 INT. MASTER BEDROOM, MANSION - CONTINUOUS

6

As Doctor Grantham knocks at door

And Will lets him in

WILL TURNER

We're glad you're here, doctor.  
You're just in the nick of time.

As Doctor Grantham approaches an anxious Governor Swann

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN

What's happening to me, Grantham?

DOCTOR GRANTHAM

It appears as if you've come down  
with a tropical fever, Governor  
Swann. Just rest as much as you can.

As Governor Swann tries relaxing

As Doctor Grantham turns to Elizabeth

DOCTOR GRANTHAM (cont'd)

May I have a word, Mrs Turner? There is doubt in my mind about his true condition. Did he take anything before becoming unwell?

ELIZABETH SWANN

Yes, we had suckling pig last night. The rest of us are well.

DOCTOR GRANTHAM

Then I suggest you prepare for the worst. I suspect foul play is the cause of this.

As a tearful Elizabeth embraces Governor Swann

As Gibbs' loud coughing sounds through wall

And Doctor Grantham quickly leaves

HENRY TURNER

I'm sorry, mother. We can do nothing.

As the coughing stops

And Will and Henry share their shock

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN

Elizabeth, take good care of this town, will you?

As a sobbing Elizabeth nods

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN (cont'd)

Will, you were always a good man. Look after my daughter and keep her well, I beg of you. And young Henry, make no delay in providing an heir, or this seat will be lost to some untrustworthy and soulless fool such as Washington.

HENRY TURNER

I will, grandfather.

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
And if any of you dares to return to  
piracy, I will surely turn in my  
nearing grave.

As the family mark his words

As Governor Swann worsens

And reaches for a drink

And knocks glass to the floor

And glass smashes

ELIZABETH SWANN  
Father, please don't go.

GOVERNOR WEATHERBY SWANN  
Goodbye, Elizabeth.

As Governor Swann dies

And the family mourn deeply

CUT TO:

7 INT. CORRIDOR, MANSION - CONTINUOUS

7

As a mourning Carina waits outside Gibbs' room

As Henry comes out from Governor Swann's room

And approaches her

HENRY TURNER  
How is he?

CARINA SMYTH  
He's gone, Henry. I just didn't  
expect it to happen so quickly. And  
the Governor, has he gone yet?

HENRY TURNER  
Aye.

As they grieve a moment - note Carina's partial relief

CARINA SMYTH  
What are we going to do now?