# Oray



"Oray wants to be a good Muslim and do the right things for his community. But the reality is not always black and white and he is forced to face it. During the separation from his wife, he is torn between love and his beliefs."



## **Synopsis**

Oray strives to be a better person but struggles with his shady past. His dream of being a good Muslim and the perfect husband is suddenly shattered while arguing with his wife. Oray goes to Cologne, where he tries to rebuild his life in a new Muslim community. But he is constantly torn between his faith, everyday reality and identity.

#### **Credits**

Director: Mehmet Akif Büyükatalay / Genre: Drama / Original title: ORAY / Country of production: Germany / Year of production: 2019 / Length: 100 min / Color: color / Shooting format: 2K / Screening format: 2K Flat (1.85:1) 1998x1080; 5.1, un-encrypted) / Original language: German, Turkish, Romany / Subtitles: English / Cast: Zejhun Demirov, Cem Göktaş, Deniz Orta, Faris Yüzbaşıoğlu / Scriptwriter: Mehmet Akif Büyükatalay / Director of photography: Christian Kochmann / Production designer: Jeannette Bastisch / Editor: Denys Darahan / Sound design: Armin Badde / Sound mixing: Henning Hein / Producers: Bastian Klügel & Claus Reichel / Coproducers: Christian Cloos, Mehmet Akif Büyükatalay / Production company: filmfaust Filmproduktion / Co-production company: ZDF - Das kleine Fernsehspiel & Academy of Media Arts Cologne / Supported by: ZDF-Das kleine Fernsehspiel, Film-und Medienstiftung NRW

## Festivals / Awards

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