

MBC-TV Wed-Thu Mini Series Drama



**<The Veil>
(70min x 12eps)**

<Synopsis>

It is a story about a man, who was once a top agent of the NIS (National Intelligence Service), confronting a huge monster behind the organization as he searched for the existence of an internal traitor who dropped him to the abyss by seriously tainting his reputation.

It is a record of the process in which he, who had to erase his memory for it, faces deep darkness inside him.

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Writer : Park Seok-ho

Director: Kim Seong-yong

Genre: Blockbuster Spy Action Thriller

<Main Characters>



Han Ji-hyuk (Male/ 35/ Field support team) / Namgoong Min

– Top field agent of the National Intelligence Service(NIS)

■ Side A

Even within the Black Sun team, made up of the top agents, Ji-hyuk is an unrivaled field agent. He has intuition as sharp as a razor, is aggressive, undaunted, and as tenacious as a pit bull when he sets a goal, not letting go for anything. Also, in unexpected moments of crises, he moves with animal instinct. During his childhood, he moved around to different countries with his parents that were professors without being to settle down in one place. This experience when he was young may be the reason he isn't able to develop deep relationships with others, and doesn't want to be tied down by an organization, custom or place. His success in tasks is the only way to assess anything. The world is black and white to him. At least it was until the incident.

■ Side B

There is a dark and depressing side to him hidden behind his nickname “the Grim Reaper”. He looks strong and cold, but he has been suffering from PTSD for a long time and taking strong doses of anti-depressants and painkillers. He may have volunteered to join the Navy UDU, one of the most highly trained special forces, and accepted the offer to join the NIS when he met Director Kang Pil-ho of foreign intelligence during his UDU days because he wanted to face the dark waters within himself. A year ago, he gets accused of being involved in an incident regarding the leak of a list of NIS agents in China putting the entire Foreign Intelligence Unit in danger. Overnight, he goes from being the best agent to the cause of putting his whole unit in danger. Ji-hyuk digs within the organization to find the betrayer and the more he gets closer to the truth, the traitor starts feeling cornered. Ji-hyuk soon realizes that the truth hidden behind the incident is connected to the deep and dark waters within him.



Seo Soo-yeon (Female/34/Team leader, Criminal Intelligence Center Unit 4) / Park Ha-sun

- Ji-hyuk's colleague

■ Side A

Soo-yeon and Ji-hyuk joined the NIS at the same time and were on the same team. A former international journalist of a daily newspaper, she used to support field agents as part of the Foreign Intelligence Unit. She is highly skilled at her job and Ji-hyuk, whom she worked with, knows how good she is. When given a case, she can even solve cases relevant to it. She gets deeply attached to people and has a special fondness for her team and teammates.

■ Side B

When she was young, she witnessed her older sister, whom she idolized, commit suicide in her room. After joining the NIS, her personality becomes darker as she sees field agents she works with get hurt, die or cruelly sacrificed. She ends up struggling with depression and PTSD. Despite all this, she starts dating teammate Oh Gyung-seok, who treats her warmly, and her scars are healed. However, Gyung-seok returns a corpse from a case and she experiences a panic attack far worse than any she had ever had. She highly believes Ji-hyuk, who always acts arbitrarily and puts his teammates in danger, is responsible for her boyfriend's death.



3. Ha Dong-gyun (Male/41/Team leader, Criminal Intelligence Center Unit 1) / Kim Do-hyeon

- Ji-hyuk's immediate supervisor

■ Side A

The previous leader of Black Sun and Ji-hyuk's immediate supervisor, he looks smart in his thin metal glasses frame, but he hides the coward in him that would allow him to get down on his knees if necessary. He is a self-made man from a tough environment making him obsess over success and promotions. He has an inferiority complex towards Ji-hyuk, who always draws attention instead of him, the team leader. This leads to constant trouble between the two.

■ Side B

He invests excessively on futures trading to pay for the hospital bills of his daughter, who has a rare disease. He has serious financial problems. This is why he secretly starts stealing from the NIS' funds. 4 years ago, during an operation in Syria, Ji-hyuk catches him embezzling intelligence funds and bitterly steps down from the project. Ever since then, he holds a grudge against Ji-hyuk and is scared information about his corruption will come out.



Yoo Je-yi (Female/29/ Field support team)

- Ji-hyuk's partner

■ Side A

She has short hair, rarely wears any makeup and is dressed in pants suits of achromatic colors. She may look like a man at first glance, but her deep eyes and long neck make it hard to miss her femininity. She majors in physics and computer science, and having graduated early since middle school to university, she joins the NIS at the age of 21. It has already been 8 years since she first joined and her nickname is "Manager Yoo". Her performance

assessment is always in the top percentage and she has a good relationship with her colleagues, making her a possible candidate to rise up the career ladder. She was always good at everything she did, but after realizing people put up a guard towards those that are different, she pretends to be normal and clumsy. She's experienced pain in the past, but doesn't talk about it.

■ Side B

When she was in middle school, she won a medal at a math competition. That day, her family receives word that her father, who was part of the North Korean Operations, Agency for National Security Planning (ANSP) and was on an operation in China, went missing. Je-yi and her family asks several times regarding his whereabouts, but they always get the same formal answer. Not being able to take it any longer, Je-yi's mother commits suicide leaving her daughter all alone in this world. Je-yi gives up on studying fundamental science and chooses to face her cruel fate head-on. She decides to join the NIS, the organization that took her family from her. After joining the NIS, she solely focuses on her goal to rise to a place that will give her the power to find out the truth about her father's incident.