

Film Review: ‘Snow White and the Huntsman’ Dwarfed By Comatose Kristen Stewart, Charlize Theron

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CHICAGO – If you can stomach forgiving the film’s uneven acting, inconsistent pacing and a higgledy-piggledy script that feels like it’s still in draft mode, just zero in on the only newsworthy question about “Snow White and the Huntsman”: Who are those “dwarves”?



Rating: **2.5/5.0**

And why are there *eight* of them? Most important of all, why aren’t **ANY** of them real, you know, dwarves? Has HBO’s “Game of Thrones” made you too famous, Peter Dinklage?

Admittedly, these eight dwarves steal the show in this otherwise drab and lackluster film. But examining them further leaves us with a double-edged sword of both loving and loathing them. Debut “Snow White and the Huntsman” director Rupert Sanders is very uppity about his casting decision to round up a who’s who of British acting masters.



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“It was almost like casting a British gangster film,” Sanders recalls in the film’s production notes. “I needed to find tough guys with big hearts.”

Sanders seduced the cream of the British acting crop to play the film’s dwarves. Through an amalgamation of special Hollywood effects and old-fashioned trickery, you *will* believe their diminutive size. Sanders panhandled each potential dwarf separately with drawings of them as the characters as well as elaborate back stories for these warriors.

“Snow White and the Huntsman” stars Kristen Stewart, Charlize Theron, Chris Hemsworth, Ian McShane, Ray Winstone, Eddie Marsan, Sam Claflin, Sam Spruell, Bob Hoskins, Nick Frost, Toby Jones, Johnny Harris, Brian Gleeson, Vincent Regan and Liberty Ross. The film is directed by Rupert Sanders and written by Evan Daugherty, John Lee Hancock and Hossein Amini. “Snow White and the Huntsman” is produced by “Alice in Wonderland” producer Joe Roth. The film, which has a running time of 127 minutes and opened on June 1, 2012, is rated “PG-13” for intense sequences of violence and action and brief sensuality.



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Kristen Stewart as Snow White in “Snow White and the Huntsman”.
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