

"A SCORNFUL WOMAN"

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Characters:

Susan, 25+

Talia, 25+

Synopsis: Talia confronts a bartender, Susan, who she knows has been having an affair with her husband.

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INT. BAR - NIGHT

SUSAN, the bartender, is behind the bar chatting with a guy when TALIA walks in. Talia sits down at the bar and waits for Susan. Susan notices Talia and goes over for a drink order.

SUSAN
What can I get for you?

TALIA
Just a water.

Susan gives a side glance because Talia isn't drinking alcohol.

SUSAN
Sure thing.

Susan makes the drink and gives it to Talia. She is about to go back to the guy she was flirting with when Talia speaks up.

TALIA
Excuse me, do you know a John Farvo?

Susan gives a bit of a shocked look of recognition before responding.

SUSAN
Why do you ask?

TALIA
Well I was just curious. He told me about this place and said I should stop in. I wasn't sure if he was a regular or not.

SUSAN
Oh. I wouldn't call him a regular. But he has been here a time or two. He's a nice guy.

TALIA
Yes he is.

SUSAN
If you will excuse me, I have to help another customer.

Susan walks back over to the guy from earlier. She refreshes his drink for him. Talia watches Susan the entire time as she does this. As soon as Susan walks past Talia again...

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TALIA

So how long have you been sleeping
with John?

Susan, shocked, looks over at Talia.

SUSAN

Excuse me?

TALIA

You heard me. I want to know how
long you have been sleeping with my
boyfriend.

SUSAN

I'm sorry miss, but you must have
me mistaken for someone else. I'm
married.

Susan shows her wedding ring. Talia looks down at it.

TALIA

Oh so not only are you sleeping
with my boyfriend, but you are
cheating on your husband?

Susan walks closer to quiet Talia.

SUSAN

(almost whispering)
Look lady, you have no idea what
you are saying and I would
appreciate it if you would leave.

Talia doesn't budge.

TALIA

Two weeks ago. Thursday to be
exact. I watched you with him. I
knew something wasn't right. He was
always working late and had every
excuse as to why he couldn't be
home on time. So I followed him.

SUSAN

Look...

TALIA

Wouldn't you know it. He goes and
finds himself some bimbo. Classy
motel by the way. What did that
cost him. \$9.95 an hour?

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SUSAN

Look bitch!

TALIA

(calm and calculating)

Fuck you. I get two for the price of one. If John wants to ruin our relationship fine. I can't wait to let him know he ruined another.

SUSAN

Please don't. My husband and I are just going through a rough patch ... I made a mistake.

TALIA

You think I give a shit? I loved John. Bet you didn't think about that while you were fucking him did you? So why should I give a shit about you?

SUSAN

You know what? You're right. But just remember, it takes two. You might want to think about why he was coming to me in the first place.

Talia reacts. She stands up to leave the bar. She turns back to Susan.

TALIA

This isn't over.

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