

GULPERI

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A woman struggles to fulfill her dreams in the face of a tyrannical family determined to control her every step, battling alone to win the hearts of children turned against her and carve out the loving life she craves.

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Drama

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Weekly, Prime Time

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93 x 1 Commercial hour

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Show TV



GÜLPERİ



Gülperi is forced to surrender the dreams she cherishes, as she grows up in a world dominated by men. Her father prevents her attending the school she wants. He frustrates her ambition to become a teacher; he forces her to give up her first love, Kadir. It is the cruel plight of many women in traditional societies.

Hope of salvation comes in the shape of Eyüp, who falls in love with Gülperi during his military service in Izmir. She flees with Eyüp to his family home in Taşkınhan. But there she faces the hostility of his parents and sister Kader, who is consumed by jealousy for her beautiful sister-in-law.

Gülperi's disillusionment with her new life is soothed by her three children. Her husband resists family pressure and they find contentment in a new home. But fate conspires against her. Eyüp dies on a business trip to Syria, engulfing the family in a tragedy.

Forced to return to Eyüp's family home, Gülperi's now stands alone against her in-laws. Eyüp's brother has long coveted his sister-in-law and forces himself upon her with an attempted rape. In her struggle to fight him off, she wounds him and ends up in prison.

Her parents-in-law Yakup and Fatma brainwash the children while she is locked up, blaming her for the rape and their father's death. Upon her release, they arrange for her to be attacked at the bus station. She must abandon her children and flee to Istanbul.

Gülperi struggles to make a living in the city to win back her children. Hope is rekindled when she rediscovers her first love, Kadir. Now a successful lawyer, he vows to reunite her with her offspring and succeeds in winning back custody of the children.

More difficult will be winning back the affection of her children. Their new impoverished life in Istanbul only makes her task harder. For her father-in-law Yakup, the battle is not over. He promises to marry off his nephew Ali to Bedriye and helps him kidnap her in front of her mother in Istanbul.

Gülperi has no choice but to return Taşkınhan with her other children to save her daughter. It is Kadir who comes to the rescue when he learns that Yakup knew Eyüp's death in Syria had not been an accident. The revelation forces Kadir to give up his plans. Gülperi and her children to leave and return to Istanbul.

She has won a victory for her family but faces a new challenge. Gülperi is torn in different directions as she finds her love for the handsome lawyer reignited. With that love threatening her hopes of happiness with her children and Yakup still plotting to win back his grandchildren, Gülperi's battles are far from over.



CAST



GULPERI CETIN
Nurgul Yesilcay

Born in a small village in the Aegean region, Gulperi has big dreams. To escape from her father's suppression, she elopes and marries Eyup, whom she had fallen in love with at a very young age. She finds herself in a totally different city immersed in a culture she is not used to. The happy couple have three children together. However, her husband's family never truly accepts Gulperi. When Eyup dies, she becomes the enemy in their eyes. She holds onto life and tries to endure all hardship for her children. But her children are taken away from her after a ruthless slander and she is banished. She finds herself once again in a totally different city, all alone. Gulperi struggles to survive as a stranger. Her only goal is to take back her children. She is unaware that her children have long forgotten her and that they do not wish to be with their mother at all. She is a stranger for her children now. Still, Gulperi doesn't give up on them. A brutal fight awaits Gulperi against both the Taskin family and her own children.



KADIR AYDIN
Timucin Esen

Kadir is the eldest child of his family. Their lives are ruined when his father leaves them. After that, Kadir promises himself to never be like his father. No matter what, he shall never abandon his family and if one day he has children, he won't ever let them grow up in a broken family. He has been the biggest supporter of his mother who has had to raise her three children by herself. He is a brother and a father to his siblings. A very successful lawyer, he's married to Seyma, whom he met in college. He has a wonderful relationship with their daughter, Artemis. But he tries to ignore the problems he's having with his wife for the sake of his daughter because he is determined never to wreck his family. Yet, life is full of surprises and will force Kadir to face his own values. He is not yet aware that he has to make a choice between his daughter's happiness and his own.



YAKUP TASKIN
Tarik Pabuccuoglu

Yakup Taskin is a rich and powerful land baron. He is the patriarch of the Taskin family. His money and power are indisputable by everyone except his son Eyup. He has constant conflicts with his son and eventually loses him. He holds Gulperi responsible for his son's death and all their problems. He provides for Eyup's three children. After Gulperi is incarcerated, he starts raising his grandchildren with his own rules to turn them into people he wants them to be. Yakup is not afraid of the idea that one day Gulperi might return and take his grandkids back because he is sure that with his power, he is capable of destroying Gulperi and driving her out of their lives for good. When things don't go the way he wants, he is not afraid to get his hands dirty, so he becomes furious when he loses the first round to Gulperi. By taking back her children, Gulperi has fired the first bullet and started a war. Yakup Taskin's only goal now is to destroy her and win this war once and for all.



SEYMA OREN AYDIN
Ece Sukan

Seyma who lost her mother at a very young age was raised by an uncaring father and a step-mom. She feels like she has to be successful all the time to win her father's love, but, no matter what she does, she cannot get his attention. Her father cares more for her step siblings. She is married to Kadir whom she met during law school. Because she had not been raised in a loving home, she doesn't know how to love, either. She only thinks she does. When their daughter Artemis is born, Seyma decides to quit her job to raise her, with Kadir's approval. But this decision becomes her biggest regret later on. Because of her control freak and perfectionist personality, she can never build the mother-daughter bond she had always dreamed of. She is jealous of Kadir's increasing success and she is enraged by it. All the feelings she suppresses makes her and her family unhappy.



CAST



HASAN TASKIN
Burak Dakak

Hasan loves his mother and father, dearly. After the death of his father, he puts himself in his place as the family head. He is responsible now for his mother, his twin sister and his little brother. Since he is the oldest grandson in the family, his grandfather Yakup and his grandmother Fatma spoil him very much. After his mother is wrongfully accused due to a ruthless slander, he is traumatized. According to him, his mother has dishonored his family and betrayed them. After this incident, he decides to rip off all the love he feels for his mother from his heart. Gulperi is no longer his mother. His loyalty and admiration for his grandfather, who has taken him and his siblings under his wing, grows every day. Confident that he will inherit everything one day, Hasan tries to act more like his grandfather, each day. He fully takes advantage of the privileges of being the oldest grandchild of a powerful family. As he is enjoying being the spoiled prince in his grandfather's kingdom, when his mother Gulperi returns to take her children back, Hasan gets furious. It is impossible for him to accept Gulperi as his mother since he hates her with every fiber of his being. Just like Bedriye, there is nothing he wouldn't do to get Gulperi out of their lives and continue living under Yakup Taskin's shadow.



BEDRIYE TASKIN
Aleyna Ozgecen

Bedriye, who was being raised happily by her parents Gulperi and Eyup together with her twin brother Hasan and younger brother Can, is devastated after her father's death. At first, she blames her father for all the bad things that have happened to them and holds him in contempt in her heart. She believes that her father made bad decisions and left them all alone in the world. After a couple of years, when her mother Gulperi goes to jail, she feels abandoned once again. From this point on, Bedriye takes her father's family's side. For her, the only person in the world whom she could trust is her grandfather, the rich and powerful land baron Yakup Taskin. She is confident that money and power will bring peace and happiness. She is furious with her mother for being so weak and getting trampled on. She doesn't want Gulperi in their lives. Having high ambitions, she wants to marry someone rich and live as the lady of a mansion. Bedriye doesn't see Gulperi as her mother, and she doesn't accept being a part of her poor life. Despite all her mother's efforts, she wants to live under her grandfather Yakup Taskin's wings and there is nothing she won't do to achieve her goals.



CAN TASKIN
Emir Ozyakisir

Can, who goes to elementary school, still needs the love of both his parents. However, his father is dead, and his mother is gone, but he lives with the hope of reuniting with his mother one day. He is very smart and more mature than his peers, and even his brother and sister. Despite his grandparents' and aunt's efforts, the love he feels for his mother has not died. However, he is intimidated by his elders and is afraid to show his love. He obeys the Taskin family rules and tries to behave as he is told. Thus he has to hide his love for his mother. He is stuck between his mother and the people who have raised them. Gulperi needs to break down the walls Can has timidly built and touch her son's heart with her motherly love to regain his trust.



FATMA TASKIN
Sefika Umit Tolun

Fatma Taskin, the wife of Yakup Taskin was also raised in a rich family of land owners. She marries the son of another rich family to become the matriarch of this powerful family. Her dreams come true when Yakup Taskin takes over the dynasty. As the proud wife of a land baron, even though she lives under her husband's shadow, she uses her family's power to the full extent. She has raised her children Eyup, Ejder and Kader according to tradition. Her older son Eyup is her favorite. Just when she had found the perfect girl for her son to marry, he comes forth and announces that he's marrying Gulperi. All her plans for her son are ruined. Despite her objections, he marries Gulperi. Thus Fatma never truly accepts or likes Gulperi. For her, everything bad that has happened to her family is because of Gulperi. She believes that Eyup's death and Ejder having to live with one kidney for the rest of his life are all Gulperi's fault. She feels deep hatred for Gulperi who caused irreparable damage to her family and dishonored them. Yet she never reflects her negative feelings onto her grandchildren. She cares for them very much and tries hard to turn them against their mother. For Fatma, giving her grandchildren back to their mother, who is her archnemesis, is equivalent to death.



CAST



KADER TASKIN
Gulcin Kultur Sahin

She is the only daughter of Fatma and Yakup Taskin. Contrary to expectations, she has been raised humbly. Even though she strictly abides by her mother's rules, no matter what she does, Kader is never perfect in the eyes of her mother. Fatma always makes her daughter feel incompetent and incapable. Trying to overcome this feeling and the wound it has inflicted on her heart, Kader works hard to make her mother proud. She has never been married. She loves Bedriye, Hasan and Can as if they are her own, and she totally dedicates herself to them. She doesn't want them to call Gulperi "mother" since she believes she is the reason their lives are ruined and that Gulperi doesn't deserve them. Kader wants the children to see her as their mother, and they call her "mother" rather than "aunt." Gulperi's taking back the children means taking away her reason for existence. Under her parents' shadow, Kader will fight Gulperi with all her might.



EJDER TASKIN
Onur Bilge

He is Yakup and Fatma Taskin's middle son. He has always lived under his brother, Eyup's shadow. He has never been as talented and smart as Eyup, thus he has always been jealous of him. As the troubled kid in the family, he holds a secret grudge against his parents for not loving him. This wrath has turned Ejder into a violent person. He always makes bad decisions. He has set his eyes on Gulperi, and when he gets rejected by her, he slanders her. His parents make him marry Fidan in order to help him get it together. Fidan is very young, so they are not officially married. Ejder doesn't love Fidan, so he constantly showers her with his rage and oppresses her. He is still in love with Gulperi. As he keeps getting rejected, he decides to take his parents' side in the fight to punish Gulperi.



ARTEMIS AYDIN
Ezgi Gor

She is the only child of Kadir and Seyma. She has been raised in a wealthy family. She is daddy's girl, but she has a troubled relationship with her mother. Having grown up lacking a mother's love, Seyma becomes an element of oppression for Artemis. Artemis feels that in order to make her mother happy, she has to be constantly successful and perfect at everything. Even though her father tries to find a balance, Artemis always feels inadequate. Since she cannot cope with this feeling, she starts having eating problems. Her parents are not aware that their daughter is suffering from bulimia.



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