

A DEADLY POTION

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EXT. DESERT - DAY

A tall man, part fox, 30s, slowly wakes at sunrise. He lays on a tattered mat rolled out onto the ground. Surrounded by a few boulders and a humble campfire, ALLESTOR rises with a great stretch and wide mouthed yawn.

A scream followed by running footsteps makes Allestor turn to see a frantic GIRL, late teens, and dressed like a proper upper-class youth. Her clothing and hair was a muss.

ALLESTOR

Oi! What you runnin' from?

The girl glances back, startled at nothing behind her. She slows her pace, confused. She looks around as she shoves something into the front pocket of her corset.

GIRL

I... but I... there was...

ALLESTOR

(impatient)

There was wot?

She stumbles back as she notices the man in front of her.

GIRL

You're...

(beat)

You're a silverfox!

ALLESTOR

(tugs an ear)

Wot gave me away, eh?

She just stares. He drops his arms dramatically to his sides.

ALLESTOR (CONT'D)

Come on, now. You got words, luv!

Use 'em!

GIRL

I thought you were just a story.

You know, not real!

ALLESTOR

(gets down lower, looks
into her eyes)

Oh, I'm real alright. Real
starvin'!

He snarls, lunging at her. She screams again, raises an arm to shield her face. He laughs boisterously.

ALLESTOR (CONT'D)

Darling, I eat pancakes and you don't look like no pancake.

(beat)

What do ya say we venture out to find some, eh? My treat!

INT. DINER - DAY

The fox and petite girl sit in a cozy booth and wait for their meal. The girl fidgets with something in her lap.

ALLESTOR

So, wots your story? Where you from, child?

ELIZA

Eliza. I'm Eliza.

The waitress, late 20s, athletic build, adjusts her mechanical arm before picking up the plates of food for Allestor and Eliza's order. She glides over, sets them down without a sound, and glides away. Eliza stares.

ALLESTOR

Psst... love, ya can't be starin' at others in this neck 'o the woods... it's rude.

ELIZA

(smooths out her skirt)
Who says I'm not from here?!

ALLESTOR

(chuckles)
No one had to!
(beat)
Where ya headed?

Eliza bursts into tears, mumbles something into her hands. Allestor nervously surveys the diner for onlookers. He shushes her.

ALLESTOR (CONT'D)

Just eat yer pancakes so we can get outta here. If ya don't want to go back to where ya came from, ya might want to keep yer head low.

(quietly)

Get my meanin'?

She stiffens at the suggestion.

ELIZA

(leans forward, whispers)
Please don't let them find me. I
think they want this...
(holds up a small vial)

Allestor pushes her hand back towards her and shushes her again. He looks around once more.

ALLESTOR

I don't know where ya acquired such
a thing, but potions aren't
allowed.
(beat)
Anywhere.

He gets up and she follows him. They leave the diner. Allestor guides her outside with his hand at her back.

EXT. DINER - CONTINUOUS

As they walk away from the diner, Eliza looks around, then to Allestor.

ELIZA

(holds up vial)
My own father tried to kill me. I
don't even know what this does.

ALLESTOR

(bleakly)
Don't mattah. They'll all be after
ya now.

EXT. DINER - DAY

The waitress walks outside to toss out some garbage, she adjusts her mechanical arm. This time it sends an electrical jolt up to the cogs on her left temple. Distorted murmurs can be heard as her eye beneath the cogs glow.

WAITRESS

She was holding a potion vial.

More distorted murmurs are the reply. She twitches mechanically as if controlled by a puppeteer.

WAITRESS (CONT'D)

Eliza Primrose. Daughter of Lord
Elisha Parker. Seize and destroy.
Confirmed.

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Scene #	Shot #	Shot Type	Int/Ext	Day/Night	Cam Angle L / N / H	Description of Shot	Location	Actors / Props	Shot Length
1	1.1	EWS	Ext	Day	N	Allestor lays on a mat at a camp in the right side of frame	DESERT	ALLESTOR BOULDERS CAMPFIRE MAT	40 sec
1	1.2a	MWS	Ext	Day	H	Allestor sits up.	DESERT	ALLESTOR BOULDERS CAMPFIRE MAT	10 sec
1	1.2b	CU	Ext	Day	N	Allestor yawns.	DESERT	ALLESTOR BOULDERS CAMPFIRE MAT	10 sec
1	1.3	WS	Ext	Day	N	Allestor hears a scream, scrambles to his feet.	DESERT	ALLESTOR BOULDERS CAMPFIRE MAT	20 sec
1	1.4a	CU	Ext	Day	L	A footstep of someone running.	DESERT	ELIZA	20 sec
1	1.4b	MS	Ext	Day	N	Eliza runs toward camera, terrified.	DESERT	ELIZA	20 sec
1	1.5	MWS	Ext	Day	N	Allestor yells at her.	DESERT	ALLESTOR	60 sec
1	1.4c	MWS	Ext	Day	N	Eliza's pace slows, she turns.	DESERT	ELIZA	10 sec
1	1.6	MWS/ POV	Ext	Day	N	Nothing but desert.	DESERT		15 sec
1	1.7	CU	Ext	Day	N	She shoves something into a pocket.	DESERT	ELIZA POTION VIAL	20 sec

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1	1.8	MCU	Ext	Day	L	She stammers.	DESERT	ELIZA	30 sec	
1	1.9	MWS/ TWO SHOT	Ext	Day	N	Allestor and Eliza exchange. Eliza is startled by his appearance.	DESERT	ALLESTOR ELIZA BOULDERS CAMPFIRE MAT	60 sec	
1	1.9a	MCU	Ext	Day	N	Allestor tugs his right ear.	DESERT	ALLESTOR	30 sec	
1	1.9b	MCU	Ext	Day	N	Eliza stares.	DESERT	ELIZA	10 sec	
1	1.9c	MWS/ TWO SHOT	Ext	Day	N	Allestor drops his arms to his sides. They exchange.	DESERT	ALLESTOR ELIZA BOULDERS CAMPFIRE MAT	45 sec	
1	1.9d	CU	Ext	Day	L	Allestor half lunges.	DESERT	ALLESTOR	30 sec	
1	1.9e	MCU/ OTS	Ext	Day	H	Eliza screams, raises an arm to protect her face.	DESERT	ELIZA	20 sec	
1	1.9f	MWS	Ext	Day	N	Allestor laughs. Invites her for pancakes.	DESERT	ALLESTOR ELIZA BOULDERS CAMPFIRE MAT	45 sec	
2	2.0	EWS	Ext	Day	N	Establishing shot of diner.	DINER		15 sec	
2	2.1	MS	Int	Day		Allestor and Eliza exchange. Eliza is fidgeting with vial in her lap, off screen.	DINER	ALLESTOR ELIZA POTION VIAL	90 sec	
2	2.2	WS	Int	Day	N	Waitress brings food to table.	DINER	WAITRESS ALLESTOR ELIZA	60 sec	

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2	2.3a	MWS/ OTS	Int	Day	N	Eliza stares as waitress leaves.	DINER	WAITRESS ALLESTOR ELIZA	20 sec
2	2.4	MCU/ OTS	Int	Day	N	Allestor tells Eliza she's rude.	DINER	ALLESTOR	10 sec
2	2.5	MCU	Int	Day	N	Eliza adjusts her clothing.	DINER	ELIZA SKIRT	20 sec
2	2.3b	MWS/ TWO SHOT	Int	Day	N	Allestor laughs, Eliza cries.	DINER	ALLESTOR ELIZA	60 sec
2	2.6	MCU	Int	Day	N	Eliza mumbles into her hands.	DINER	ELIZA	15 sec
2	2.7	MWS	Int	Day	N	Allestor looks around for onlookers. Leans forward.	DINER	ALLESTOR ELIZA	90 sec
2	2.8a	MCU	Int	Day	N	Eliza stiffens awkwardly, holds up vial.	DINER	ELIZA POTION VIAL	180 sec
2	2.8b	ECU	Int	Day	N	View of the vial.	DINER	POTION VIAL	20 sec
2	2.9	MWS	Int	Day	N	Allestor pushes Eliza's hand back. Looks around.	DINER	ALLESTOR ELIZA POTION VIAL	45 sec
2	2.91	MCU	Int	Day	N	Allestor whispers.	DINER	ALLESTOR	25 sec
2	2.92	MWS	Int	Day	N	Allestor motions for Eliza to follow him, he rises to leave table.	DINER	ALLESTOR ELIZA	45 sec
2	2.93	WS	Int	Day	N	Allestor and Eliza exit diner.	DINER	ALLESTOR ELIZA	20 sec

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2	2.94	MWS/ TWO SHOT	Ext	Day	N	Eliza looks around, then faces Allestor.	DINER	ALLESTOR ELIZA	30 sec
2	2.95	MS	Ext	Day	N	Eliza holds up potion vial again.	DINER	ELIZA POTION VIAL	20 sec
3	3.0	WS	Ext	Day	N	The waitress exits diner, throws out garbage.	DINER	WAITRESS	10 sec
3	3.1	MWS	Ext	Day	N	Adjusts her mechanical arm. Electricity zaps up the arm	DINER	WAITRESS MECHANICAL ARM	20 sec
3	3.2	CU	Ext	Day	N	Electricity runs through cogs and illuminates the eye.	DINER	WAITRESS	45 sec
3	3.3	MS/ OTS	Ext	Day	N	Waitress sees Allestor and Eliza walking away in the distance.	DINER	WAITRESS ALLESTOR ELIZA	20 sec
3	3.4	MWS	Ext	Day	N	Distorted murmurs communicate to waitress	DINER	WAITRESS	20 sec
3	3.5	MCU	Ext	Day	N	Waitress responds.	DINER	WAITRESS	15 sec