

Home Turf is an unlikely sisterhood that forms in the beige-toned half-basement of a foster home for "problem" teenage girls in the year 2000. Soon after arriving from Africa, Sahara, a mixed-race 15-year-old, is driven by CPS to a foster home in the suburbs. At the house, run by "Auntie," she finds four teenage girls who object to her presence and make her life miserable. But little by little Sahara makes friends with the girls, turning enemies into allies against the ostracism of those around them.



A MARA JOLY SERIES



8 x 10' | Dramedy | Worldwide Rights | 2018 | FR version w/ENG Sbtl | HD



## **MULTIPLE AWARDED SERIES**

- "Best International Drama", "Best Lead Actor" & "Best Original Score" at Melbourne Webfest 2020
- "Best Drama" at Bilbao Seriesland 2019
- "Best Drama Series" & "Best Directing" at Catalyst Content Festival 2019
- "Jury Award" at Raindance Web Fest 2019
- "Best Web Series" & "Best Actress" at NYC Web Fest 2019
- "Readers prize" by Télécâble Sat Hebdo for "Best Short Series" at CANNESERIES 2019.

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## **EPISODIC SYNOPSIS**

**EP01** – On Halloween night, just arrived from Africa, Sahara, 15, is led by the CPS to her new foster home. On the menu: Pizza, Pogo, Pepsi and cigarette ashes. Raised by a cooperating stepfather, Sahara introduces herself formally with her distinguished French accent, creating an uneasy situation. While Erika tries to help Sahara integrate herself by showing her around the house, Dolores harasses her with her intense looks and Alizée threatens to make her life hell.

**EP02** – Sahara runs in the deserted streets, panicked. She finds a phone booth and tries to contact a friend in Gabon, making a collect call. Two shady young men come out of a car and approach her without hindrance. The alarm system is ringing out loud at the crazy house. The police arrive on the spot to identify "Auntie" who takes the opportunity to report a runaway minor.

**EP03** – For Alizée, Sahara is taking the place of her sister Vanessa who has recently run away. Alizée reaches the saturation point when Sahara saves Dolores from the clutches of her bullies at the bus stop in front of the house. Sahara meets her social worker.

**EP04** – Sahara is confined to her room, but "Auntie" doubts her guilt and tries to get the truth from Erika during a game of Skip Bo. Erika reveals the subterfuge without however saying that it is the work of Alizée. Sahara secretly tries to contact her mother with the help of Erika.

**EP05** – Fauve tries to contact her father. Sahara finally gets to speak with her friend from Gabon. She has a hard time hearing what he is saying over the phone because of the loudness of the music that Fauve is listening too. Sahara is worried and does not understand why her mother does not call her. "Auntie" makes it clear to Sahara not to hope that her mother would come and get her. Fauve and Sahara are getting closer after a small argument. Sahara receives a strange parcel by mail.

**EP06** – In the middle of the night, Sahara searches thru "Auntie's" notebook. Once again, Alizée threatens Sahara to report her to "Auntie", which would ensure her eviction from the crazy house. Sahara makes a pact with Alizée. The two girls fool "Auntie" and take the bus for Montreal in secret.

**EP07** – Fauve is practicing for the dance competition. Alizée gathers the girls in the basement pretending that they have to clean up their bedrooms. She suggests to the girls a forbidden night activity. Excited, the girls put the plan to execution. Dolores, Erika and Fawn fall asleep. Alizée takes this opportunity to confess to Sahara that she doesn't want to disappoint Fauve. The next morning, Sahara receives a call from her mother who makes a disturbing request.

**EP08** – Sahara packs her suitcase and runs away while Alizée tries to hold her back. "Auntie" and the girls go looking for Sahara. The truth about Sahara's mother is revealed. The girls make a surprising encounter.



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