

# TRES

**Genre:** Thriller/Drama

**Format:** Feature

**Nutshell:** The Brave One meets Vendetta

**Logline:** After a woman task force member is murdered, a lawyer, a book author and a convict come together to find the person responsible for their fallen family member.

## OVERVIEW

Drawing from detective films, stories like Rizzoli & Isles, and great vengeful works of Quentin Tarantino. Tres seeks to create a world of a thriller, crime, action and drama into a new vision. A world of prudence, justice and benevolence. In this tale about a woman trying to find answers behind the death of a loved one and with all she has, even if it is her last breath, she will do whatever she can to get answers.

## CHARACTERS

**Nicola** – a narcotic's officer and the person behind the quest for answers and vengeance.

**Brenda Valens** – a public defender looking to get answers about her daughter's sudden death.

**Shelly Owens**– a successful book writer. A mother to a daughter, Sara and friend of Brenda's.

**Hayley**– a distant cousin of the Valens family. She is a parole working in a hotel.

**Lola** – a police detective and Brenda's daughter. She is reasonable and believes things should be done by the book but will act if needed.

**Ramon Santiago** – A drug cartel and the only one that knows what happened to Nicola.

**Miguel** – a masseuse and Shelly's love interest.

**Sara** – the only daughter of Shelly. She is a sweet, smart and adores her mother.

**Angelica** – Nicola's daughter. She goes from being a toddler to an eighteen-year-old girl.

## SUMMARY

In the middle of a drug bust gone wrong, **Nicola**, a narcotics officer, is held hostage. A drug cartel, **Ramon Santiago**, takes Nicola's locket from around her neck. Nicola is killed. **Brenda Valens**, a public defender and Nicola's stepmother. She gets a visit from military officers, and they inform her that Nicola is dead. Quickly noticing that Nicola's locket is missing, Brenda is angry and wants to find the one responsible. In search for help from a friend of the family, Brenda goes to a book convention. **Shelly Owens**, a successful author and the host of the conventional panel. Brenda ambushes Shelly with insulting questions. About to be escorted out by the security guards, Shelly intervenes. Brenda tells Shelly that Nicola is dead, and she needs her help.

Brenda goes to meet a distant family member, **Hayley** and asks her why there is a photograph of her in Nicola's files. Along with other photos of Ramon, feeling he could be the one that knows what happened to Nicola. **Lola**, Brenda's daughter and a police detective, tells Brenda to not do anything stupid but Brenda just wants answers. Brenda, Shelly and Hayley travel to Cancun, Mexico. They check out the great sights. New clothes, new hairstyles and swimwear. Brenda and Shelly get more attention from

Ramon on the beach. Hayley's negative attitude starts to affect the mood of the trip. Rather than stay, Hayley packs her belongings and leaves. Brenda and Shelly are invited to a party by Ramon but when they arrive, they discover it is an orgy with only women. Brenda finds a portrait painting of Nicola on Ramon's living room wall. Ramon shows his feeling by telling Brenda that Nicola is a woman that he loved and that she died. Brenda makes a toast to Nicola but does not express her feelings to him out loud.

Shelly is in the bathroom when a man walks in and begins to sexually assault her. Brenda stops it from going any further. About to leave Ramon's house, and Shelly feeling violated. Brenda is offered a ride in Ramon's limousine back to the hotel. The next morning, Ramon has arranged room service to be delivered to Brenda and Shelly's room. Surprised, Brenda goes to Ramon's house. Feeling like she needs to know more about Ramon, Brenda has a drink with him and the two get an idea about each other. Their lives and spouses. Back at the hotel, Shelly has fallen head over heels for **Miguel**, a masseuse. It starts out as lustful encounter but then turns into a romantic evening when he takes Shelly out on a date. Losing patience, Brenda buys fancy dresses and two guns. An unexpected call from Lola comes in and informs Brenda that someone has kidnapped Nicola's baby girl and that she is on her way to meet her. Back at Ramon's house, attending the party. Brenda gives Ramon orders to send everyone home.

Alone with Ramon, Brenda wants to know why he killed Nicola. To which he tells her he did not and Brenda wonders who did. Surprised by her sudden appearance, Hayley reveals it is her that did it and that Ramon was once her boyfriend until she was arrested on a drug bust caused by Nicola. Ramon revealed to be Nicola's informant and the father of her daughter. Hayley tries to decide who to kill, Brenda or Ramon but is stopped Lola. This gives Shelly the opportunity to go and find the baby in the laundry room. Ramon is shot by Hayley and the attention shifts to Lola but with her instincts, Lola shoots Hayley, killing her instantly. Brenda and Shelly return to Lola and find her distraught. Giving Ramon a chance to see his daughter before he dies.

Back home, and back to her normal life. Shelly returns to her book tours. Brenda returns to her job of being an attorney. Shortly after, Brenda is rushed to the hospital and has been told she has cancer. Given options, Brenda chooses to live the last days of her life at home and to be with her loved ones. On the day of Brenda's funeral, Shelly announces she is moving back to California to be closer. Lola decides to let Shelly live in Brenda's house. Shelly moves into the house with her daughter, **Sara**. On some short notice, Miguel shows up at the house, and surprises Shelly with a visit. It does not take exceptionally long before Shelly finds out that Miguel is sent to kill her after being hired by Hayley. Miguel tries to run but is stopped by Lola and is taken into police custody and tells Shelly that he will come after her. Miguel returns to the house to kill Shelly and is surprised to find Lola in the bathtub. Now with Miguel dead and the house becoming a crime scene, Shelly moves into another house to be closer to Lola. At Lola's request, she has asked that Shelly be the baby's guardian after announcing she pregnant with her second child. Years later, **Angelica**, Nicola's now teenage daughter. Angelica has decided to travel to Mexico for her eighteenth birthday. Shelly gives Angelica a DVD disc from her mother. Angelica makes it to the same hotel that Shelly and Brenda stayed in and watches the DVD. Nicola greets her daughter and tells her happy birthday. Nicola mentions that whoever took care of her to tell them thank you and, that she is extremely fortunate to have them in her life. On a pier, Angelica pours ashes from two urns. Brenda's and Nicola's. Later, Angelica returns and is greeted by Shelly and Lola. Finishing the last paragraph of her book, Shelly ends it with a farewell, and she will see everybody someday, feeling like the past is behind her.