

EXTRACT

Rupert and the Seven Russian Email Brides

a short play

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Cast

RUPERT

PETRA

VERA

NATALIA

TATYANA

SABRYN B.

ALENA

DARYA

OLGA

Time

The present

Settings

Various locations around Sydney.

Or any other city.

Rupert and the Seven Russian Email Brides

ON STAGE IS A DESK, PILED HIGH WITH FOLDERS AND PAPERS.

RUPERT: (TO AUDIENCE) Recently I have become engaged to no less than seven Russian women.

VERA: My name is Vera. I am 27 years old. I'm from Russia,.

RUPERT: They all have very exotic names.

ALENA: My name is Alena. I am a nice young girl from Russia, without harmful habits.

RUPERT: Most of them ending in A.

NATALIA: Hello. My name is Natalia. how are you?

RUPERT: (INDICATING THE GIRLS) Tatyana, Vera, Darya

DARYA: Hello my friend!!!! You probably do not know who I and what for I have written to you the letter.

RUPERT: Sabryn B. Is there a Sabryn A?

TATYANA Hello man! Write to you the woman from Russia. My name Tatyana to me of 26 years!

RUPERT: Natalia. Alena.

OLGA: Olga.

RUPERT: Okay – well not all of their names are exotic. And they are all mysteriously between the ages of 26 and 30.

OLGA: To me of 26 years!

RUPERT: 26 is a very popular age in Russia.

SABRYN B. Hello, my gentleman I know that you are a very attractive man, and I hope for our future relationships,

RUPERT: They contact me via email.

NATALIA: I want to find the more friend

RUPERT: Of course.

TATYANA: and my love.

RUPERT: Through the swirl of free Viagra and offers to enlarge my manhood. They offer me a world of unparalleled opportunity.

SABRYN B: I believe in faith in my life and I will meet my real second half when the time comes.

RUPERT: Which for me, sitting in this dingy office, pounding through these spreadsheets

DARYA: I dream to have strong and happy family.

RUPERT: Is not unattractive. They are all gainfully employed:

ALENA: Nurse in city hospital.

NATALIA: Manager in the Insurance Company.

VERA: Adviser on sale home appliances.

RUPERT: They live in delightful rural towns and important cities.

TATYANA: Yoshkar-Ola it is 1000 km from capital Russia Moscow.

DARYA: Kazan.

OLGA: Cheboksary

RUPERT: They give me their vital statistics

SABRYN B: Height is 172 cm and my weight is 51 kg.

RUPERT: Even their date of birth.

ALENA: 15th of October.

RUPERT: They send me photographs.

SABRYN B: I shall send you a photo of me

RUPERT: Fully clothed.

THE GIRLS FORM POSES.

RUPERT: Bright, smiling, snapshots. Having a picnic in the countryside, dancing at a nightclub, shopping in the city. They tell me about their lives.

- DARYA: I work as the manager of the small company. I like my work and it is a good money if I work hard.
- RUPERT: Their families.
- TATYANA: I have my mother and father here but I don't live with them because I rent an apartment not far from my work and my family's home.
- RUPERT: Their hobbies.
- NATALIA: Sport, a photo, drawing.
- RUPERT: Even their pets.
- VERA: I had a cat, but in one day it has left on street and has not returned.
- RUPERT: It seems that life in Russia is hard.
- OLGA: In Russia it is not possible to live easy.
- RUPERT: And they have all had various problems with the opposite sex.
- SABRYN B.: It is a lot of men in Russia to drink alcohol much to not like I.
- ALENA: I said this good news to him, but he told that he does not want our meeting.
- RUPERT: But they haven't given up hope.
- DARYA: I thought it would be great to meet someone who is open to anything
- RUPERT: Just yet.
- VERA: As I am!
- RUPERT: They are open to new opportunities.
- OLGA: I would be happy to be friends, lovers or create a serious relationship!
- TATYANA: We will see what happens!
- RUPERT: They're not real. But on long mornings – and even longer afternoons – it doesn't hurt to dream.
I imagine we go for a picnic in the woods.