



Papa Bears

a comedy

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Logline:

What is the meaning of family? For two gay restaurateurs, one big and hairy, the other a “princess”, the arrival of an abandoned infant in their home changes everything.

Synopsis:

Douglas “Bear” Sussman is a gay man belonging to a sub-culture of gay men who call themselves bears because they appreciate male body hair and reject ideals of body toning and fashion.

Bear lives with Kevin, who prefers women’s lingerie to beards and natural body odors, but he continues to party with his bear friends. The two open a restaurant called “Teddy’s” hoping to attract an all bear clientèle.

From the beginning, “Teddy’s” is a financial disaster. What few bears do wander in persuade Bear to let them run up huge tabs for old time’s sake.

Enter Alix, a street savvy waitress in need of a job. Bear and Kevin rescue Alix from her womanizing ex-boyfriend. She in turn takes “Teddy’s” in hand and begins to transform it into a family oriented business. She recruits Bear’s mother, a smart mouthed senior, and her mahjong club to help raise the necessary money.

When Kevin discovers that Alix is pregnant, he convinces Bear to take her and the baby into their home. Bear is reluctant to change his party lifestyle or spend more money, but he tentatively agrees.

Everything changes when Bear sees Alix’s new son, Evan, for the first time. It’s a case of love at first sight. When a depressed Alix abandons the baby, Bear and Kevin attempt to adopt Evan as their own.

Enter Alix once again. This time she’s with her no good boyfriend. The pair kidnaps Evan and disappears. A heartbroken Bear mobilizes the bear and mahjong communities to pursue them. What ensues is absolute chaos as Bear realizes that things will never be the same without Evan in his life.