

# La Cineteca italiana

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## *Caterina va in città*

Director: Paolo Virzì. 121 minutes. 2003.



***Caterina va in città*** (literally “Caterina goes to the city” but translated as *Caterina in the Big City*) is the coming-of-age tale about 12-year-old Caterina who moves from the sticks to Rome where her parents must care for an invalid aunt. At school, her simple and direct ways make her appealing to two cliques: one led by Margherita, the Bohemian daughter of leftist intellectuals, and the other headed by the preppy Daniela, daughter of one of Berlusconi's ministers. Caterina's navigating a new city, a new school, new friends, the onset of puberty, and the cross-cutting politics of wealth, class, and ideology in Rome is complicated by her parents, each profoundly unhappy. Is there hope or someone who doesn't play the game?

**In Italian with English subtitles**